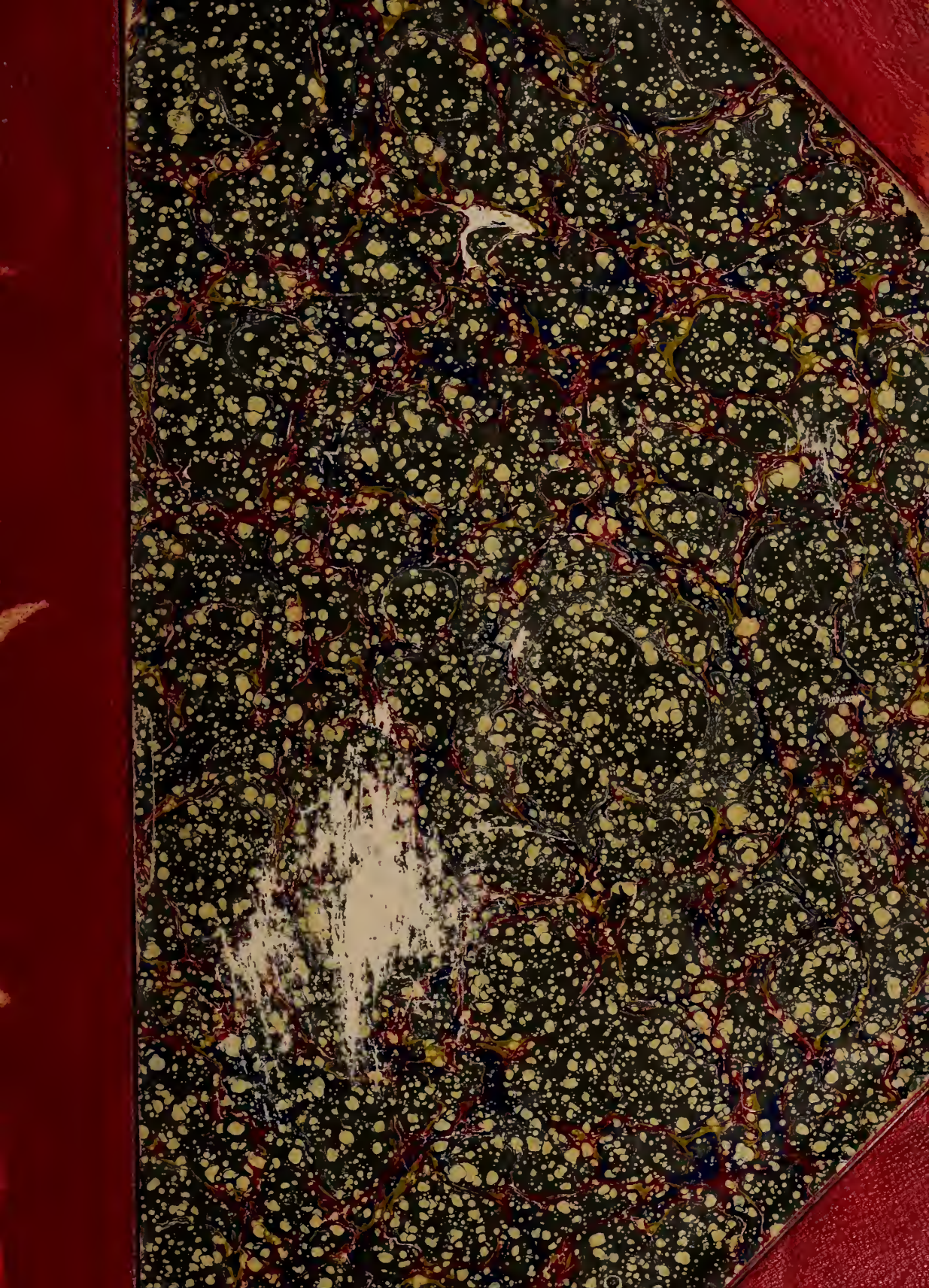

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WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN
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"I'LL TELL YOU when to stop giving," said the Pastor of the Broadway Tabernacle on a recent Sunday: "When you stop receiving at the hands of the Lord. Until then, *give on.* It is our way to show gratitude for the mercies bestowed on us."

"URGE upon the women of America," writes one who has been a generous giver, "the duty of praying daily that means may be found to send devoted men and women to the heathen. Pray that a competent lady doctor may be found for the woman's ward in the Peking Hospital."

REPORT of Annual Meetings next month.

THEY listen in vain at 20 North Washington Square to hear of any "Waiting To Be Sent" from New York State, or New England. That beautiful Tripoli school is still open. The money is ready. Who asks to be "sent"?

MISS CORT'S book on Siam has been favorably noticed by a number of the leading religious newspapers.

DR. ANANDIBAI JOSHI, it is feared, is the victim of consumption, and is unable to take the position offered her by Lady Dufferin in her hospital.

WE CAN almost hear the disappointment in Miss Thiede's tones. She says:

"I received WOMAN'S WORK for January, 1887, some days ago, and was grieved that you say we cannot report any new station. I could not help thinking of a Hindu family whom I asked how many children they had. They said, four boys. I saw a little girl clinging to the mother, and asked: 'Is this your child?' 'Yes.' 'Did you count her, too?' 'No, it is only a girl.' Why did the mothers in America not count Vage, the little daughter station the Lord has given them in 1886?"

We did not forget little Vage. The fault was in our geography, not our appreciation. We supposed Vage properly fell under the classification, "There has been enlargement at many stations," rather than that of "absolutely new outposts."

THE TRAINING SCHOOL for nurses, at Tokyo, mentioned in our "Letters," was first plead for in America, by a missionary lady upon whose heart the great need pressed heavily during a long and painful illness. Before the institution could be begun the voice of the pleader was hushed in death, but her prayer was laid up, and the undertaking, though long delayed, now bids fair to move on to the fulfillment of all its founders' ardent hopes. The aims of the Training School are:

First. To provide competent nurses for the sick in their own homes.

Second. To instruct Japanese women in the preparation of suitable food for the sick.

Third. To give some practical lessons to women who cannot become regular nurses.

A BLESSED revival at Kangwe. We hope for particulars next month.

THREE Korean men were baptized quietly by our missionaries on the last Sunday in January. They were converted through reading the Gospel in Chinese, circulated

by a Korean convert three years ago. It is believed there are others who stand with them. Upon being reminded of the danger to themselves in taking this step, they expressed their readiness to face any consequences. One, putting his hand to his neck, said: "Though the King take off my head, I cannot help it. I have longed to be baptized these two years."

THE CLOSING of one of the schools of our Southern Presbyterian brethren in Brazil, is a threatening to our own. The pretext was that boys were admitted into a girls' school, and, by an old law, a professor of the State religion must be in each school of the Empire.

IN BROTAS, Brazil, a society was carried on last year whose members pledge themselves to give a stated proportion of their income. Where the men are "land-poor," as so many are in the interior, for want of a knowledge of farming, they have been urged to give of what they have — if not money, cattle or produce, and the result has been more contributed towards carrying on the Gospel work than they would have believed possible at the beginning.

THE TEACHERS of the Bogota girls' school had promised a premium for committing to memory the Gospel of Mark, thinking that two or three of the most energetic would accomplish the task. "Imagine our surprise," wrote Miss Franks, "when we found at the end of the year that 15 (out of 49) had learned well the whole Gospel. Out of a variety of books, the majority chose handsomely bound Bibles for their reward, and seemed content."

"THE GIRLS are ten times more quarrelsome than the boys. What dreadful tongues these women have! How they can scold! But it is their only weapon, poor things."—*Letter from Petchaburi.*

DURING the recent journey of our missionaries from Bailundu to their new station at Bihé, they halted at a place where no white woman had ever been seen before. The carriers set down Mrs. Sanders's *tepoia* nd stood by with an air of superior knowledge as the natives crowded around to see the great sight. One old man, having satisfied his curiosity, asked: "And where is Sandele?" (Mr. Sanders). "Oh, he is coming." "On horseback?" "No." "In a *tepoia*?" "No." "How then?" "On foot." "Lo, behold!" cried the old man, throwing his arms high in air, "the woman riding in a *tepoia* and the man walking!" "Yes," answered the carrier, "the white women are sacred." Thus the walking of a man while a woman rode has introduced an altogether new idea in that section of Africa. —*Missionary Herald.*

LAOS NOTES. *From Annual Report.*— Out of the 31 girls in the boarding-school at Chieng-Mai, 22 were children of Christian parents. A special difficulty is the lack of books in the Laos language.

CHIENG-MAI Station says: a boys' school as good as the girls' is their imperative need.

AT ONE of the sub-stations there were no male church-members during a part of the year, but "the wives and children of the five families met regularly for prayer and praise."

At another place, a woman more than 80 years old, with her children and grandchildren, were all baptized together.

SEVERAL baptisms in Chieng-Saan.

ON OR NEAR the thoroughfare to Yunnan, China, are five villages and two towns, in each of which are from one to fifteen Christian families.

AN OFFICER with a deputation, traveled ninety miles to Chieng-Mai for a missionary to visit their village. Dr. McGilvary has since baptized 13 adults and 19 children there. The Shan temple in the place has been forsaken by its votaries, and our missionaries saw it sheltering over 30 oxen, whose owners had possession of the dormitories formerly used by priests.

NINETY-TWO adults were added to the Laos churches during the year.

THE WANT of the Scriptures in the Laos dialect is the great need. Mrs. McGilvary with Mr. Martin's help, has revised the Gospel of Matthew, and is upon the Acts of the Apostles.

OUR MISSIONARIES IN SIAM AND LAOS

AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Letters for Chieng-Mai and Lakawn should be sent care H. B. M. Consul, via Pahpoon, Burma.

Miss Edna Cole,	Bangkok, Siam.	Mrs. Daniel McGilvary,	Chieng-Mai, Laos.
Mrs. D. G. Collins,	Lakawn, Laos.	Miss Jennie B. Nielson,	Petchaburi, Siam.
Mrs. A. Willard Cooper,	Petchaburi, Siam.	Mrs. S. C. Peoples,	Lakawn, Laos.
Miss Mary L. Cort,	" "	Miss Jennie Small,	Petchaburi, Siam.
Mrs. Eugene P. Dunlap,	" "	Mrs. J. B. Thompson,	" "
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THE POSSIBILITIES OF MISSIONS AMONG LAOS TRIBES FURTHER NORTH.

The North Laos and the Shans of Northern Burma have not yet been satisfactorily mapped for the students of geography. The chief cause of this lies in the enforced seclusion to which this part of south-eastern Asia has been subjected. The savage tribes, that for generations have dwelt among the mountains between Yunnan and these northern provinces of Siam and Burma, have successfully resisted the approach of travelers who would have gone from the south to spy out the people and the unknown wealth of the land; and the exclusive policy of China has cut off approach from the north and east. But the present political outlook gives token, that this monopolized seclusion of what is, perhaps, one of the richest and most important portions of our globe, is soon to cease.

The heart of China herself begins to beat for the world-renowned improvements of the telegraph and the railway. These will bind together more closely her hitherto segregated, yet homogeneous peoples, and open her exhaustless mines of coal and precious metals, first, to the increase of her own resources, and then, through trade, to the enriching of her sister nations.

And so, England's late annexation of Upper Burma to her East India possessions is a step whose importance can hardly be overestimated. Its legitimate result can scarcely be less than an open door into southern China from Shan Land and the Laos, and this will lead to the development of wealth that lies sleeping in the bosom of many of their now uninhabited valleys and plains. But this is only the commercial aspect of the case.

Wherever merchants carry their products, and return with treasures that repay all their toil and expenditure, thither (and sometimes in advance of the merchant), the Church sends her heralds with the Bible. They, too, gather wealth in return for those who sent them, but most for the people that by their ministry are brought from nature's darkness into God's marvelous light. And while it is treasure gathered for the Church and her messengers, it is all for the Master, a treasure laid up in heaven.

So what means this opening of the door to tribes hitherto shut out from the Gospel? It is only the living voice of God's ancient prophet to the Church of to-day. *Is.* 49: 18, and 60: 4, 11. The China Inland Mission have had their own missionary at Tali Fu, the capital of Yunnan. He needs a hundred helpers for that province. They have had two missionaries at Bahmo, in the extreme north of Burma. They have not been able to work for China, as they will do when a highway of safe and quick travel is open across the border. Then they can escort newly arrived missionaries into Yunnan and other parts of Inland China. The lone worker at Tali Fu will then have the joy of welcoming others to his help.

And what of the Shans and the Laos? The Shans have been an oppressed race, the Burmese lording it over them. Oppression has made many of them reckless and lawless. In a few instances they have risen against their oppressors, and tried to throw off the yoke. The Baptist missionaries in their efforts to reach this wild people have always met the opposition of the ruling Burmese;

but now they will be free to spread the Gospel throughout the kingdom, and the lawlessness of the Shans will gradually yield to the more humane and just rule of the British.

In the earlier history of the Chieng Mai Mission, almost every year witnessed a raid of these robber Shans across into Laos territory. They looted and then burned the villages, the villagers having fled at their approach. These robbers would continue their destructive march until met and driven back by armed bands of Laos. Rumor often increased thirty or forty of these bandits to three or four thousand, and so the timid Laos Court would issue proclamations for a large levy of soldiers, the levy falling chiefly upon the poorer classes, who were least able to leave their homes. These troops had to furnish their own guns and ammunition, and their own food. The scant provisions they were able to carry made them easy victims to the malaria of the jungles through which they passed. Many died whilst yet in the jungle, and many after their return home. This was no small drain upon the population of the country.

During the last six or seven years there were none of these raids, as the Shan villages were often at war among themselves. The Laos took advantage of this quiet to send colonies to Muang Fang and Chieng Saan. They were once large and flourishing cities, the capitals of provinces of the same names, but were conquered and destroyed by the Burmese about one hundred years ago. These provinces are rich in soil, and could support a large population. These two newly planted colonies are in a prosperous condition.

The city of Chieng Saan has the greater interest to us, because some seven adult members, and as many children, of the Maa Dawk Daang church are now living there. It needs only the visit of the missionary to organize them into a church. So here in this border city the Saviour has his disciples. Will He not keep them and make them lights to the heathen around them? Their home is on the banks of the great Maa Kong river. An English railway, or even one from Bangkok, may some day reach them. Then they can be looked after by the Chieng Mai missionary more easily than they can be now, and then the herald of salvation can ascend the great river to villages that have never yet been visited, or he can float down the stream to Looang and other Laos towns. So intimately connected are Laos and Burma, with its Burmese, its Shans, its Karens, its Kacheens, all under British rule, that the one must share in whatever of temporal or spiritual good falls to the lot of the other. And whatever blesses the Laos and the Shans, must reach over the hills to bless the great and beautiful and fertile province of Yunnan. God speed the Gospel message to each and all these tribes, to them who dwell on the broad and well-watered plains, and to them who hide away among the mountains.

Rev. Jonathan Wilson.

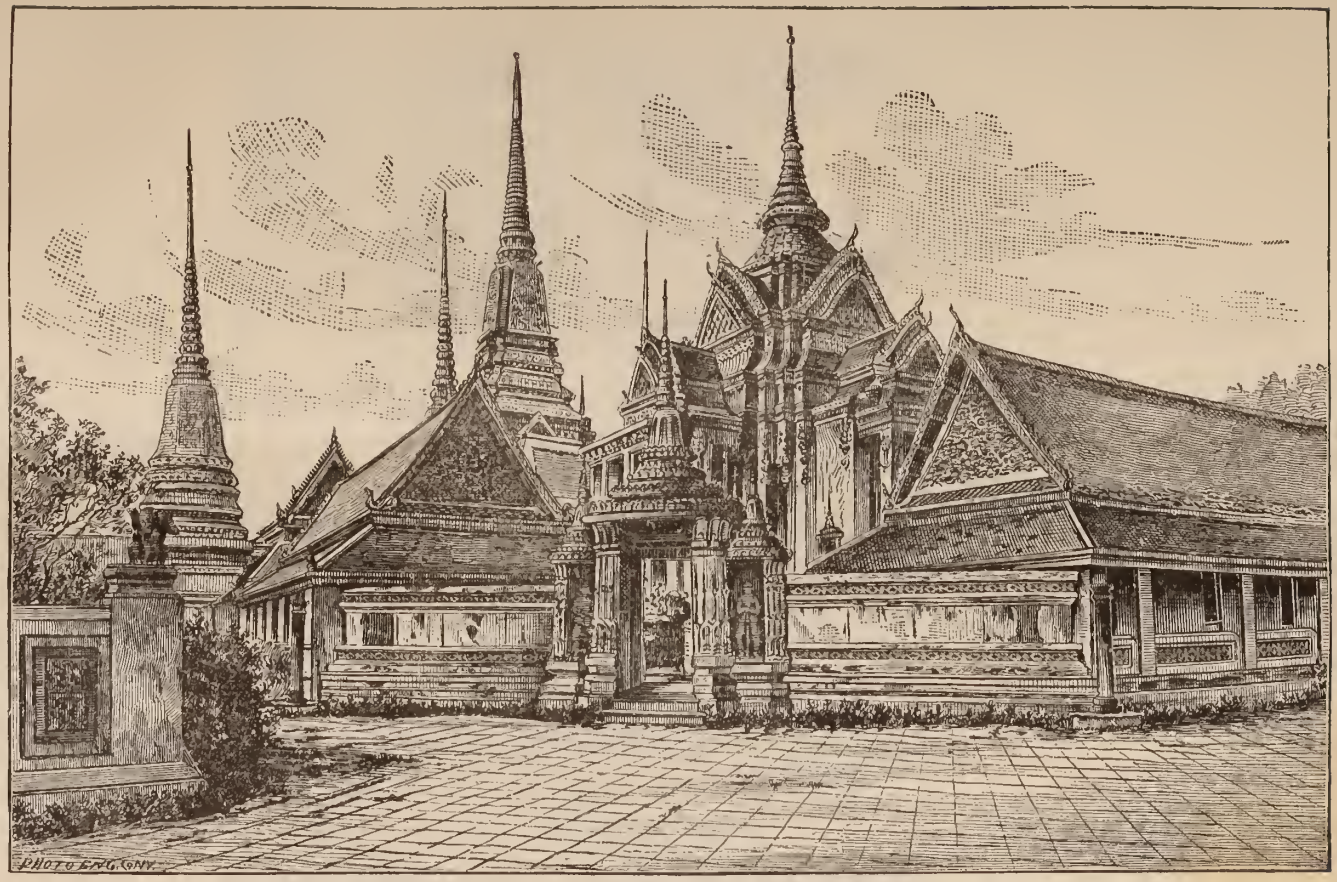
WAT PO.

One of the most notable temples in Bangkok is Wat Po, an imposing structure, which might be made attractive, by means of light, air, soap and water.

As we approach one of the entrances two great stone demons rise up before us. They stand one on either side as if to question our right to enter and, if being hideous gives power, they ought to be able to "scatter away all evil with their eyes."

Once within the walls of the temple proper, we look with wonder upon an immense idol which it shelters and for which it is noted. This is said to be the largest reclining image of Buddha in existence. It is one hundred and sixty three feet in length, and about forty feet across the shoulders. His head is so near the dusty rafters, that his features must be scanned in a dim light. His hair, which is abundant, is arranged in close, short curls, made of lumps of clay well gilded. Some of these are fully fifteen inches in circumference at the base and taper to a point, resembling, as some one has aptly said, a straw beehive. The whole image is constructed of brick and mortar covered with plaster, then lacquered, and lastly overlaid with gold.

It is the work of men's hands. A mouth



WAT PO.

There are many Po trees about this Wat. Buddha sat under a tree of this variety during one of his meditations.

ENTRANCE TO WAT PO.

has he but he speaks not. Eyes has he but he sees not. He has great ears drooping to the shoulders but they hear not. A long, straight nose has he but he smells not; immense hands but he handles not neither does he stretch them out to help and save; huge feet, but they never walk about doing good. A stony heart has he that never feels one pang of pity for the thousands who bow in his presence.

The feet attract more attention than any other portion of this idol. They are curious in shape, beautiful in workmanship and of costly material. The toes are of equal length, the heel a semi-circle, the sides perfectly straight and the soles a flat surface. The latter are beautifully inlaid with mother-of-pearl with chasings of gold, making a panorama of trees, flowers, birds, beasts and a variety of legendary beings, with numerous inscriptions concerning the same.

One thought which impresses itself upon

the mind of the visitor to this and other temples, is the evident neglect and indifference concerning the care of them. The altars may be loaded with gold and silver images, trays, vases and fragrant sandal wood bouquets, and floors be made of costly marble or highly polished brass, but dust and filth are there, and one feels relieved to step into the fresher atmosphere outside. The images may fall to the ground, but there is seldom one enough interested to replace them or show any sorrow if they become marred. Neither in their worship do the devotees appear overburdened with reverence for their idols. They bow before them in a mechanical way, while they continue to chew their betel and smoke their cigars, frequently laughing and chatting with neighbors while lighting their incense sticks, offering flowers or wrapping written requests around a favorite idol. The great sleeping idol is rapidly losing his golden skin, and relic hunters may carry away large pieces without molestation. And yet, despite this seeming indifference, the mothers in the land are few who do not early begin to train their little ones to raise their tiny hands in adoration as they bow before these hideous images.

When we look upon these false gods, we unconsciously find ourselves repeating the words: "They that make them are like unto them; so is every one that trusteth in them." May the day soon come when even the name of Buddha shall be forgotten and every heart and voice throughout the whole kingdom of Siam shall sing: "All hail the power of Jesus' name." *Laura A. Olmstead.*

FACTS ABOUT LAKAWN.

(IN ANSWER TO THE QUESTIONS OF FRIENDS.)

"How far away are the mountains?"

Nearest foot hills, one mile; mountains, three miles.

"Any milk except cocoanut milk?"

Condensed milk. In Chieng Mai they have cows' milk: it is too expensive for us here, at present.

"Any grain except rice?"

A very little, poor corn is raised. We expect to have nearly every kind of American vegetables and small fruits in time; garden is made in November. One of our plans to help these people is to give them good garden seeds.

"Any fresh meat?"

No meat except chickens.

"Any ice?"

No ice, we do not need it except for fever; porous water jars keep the water cool.

"Any wild animals near?"

Not about the city, but on the hills and mountains an abundance of tigers, leopards and deer, and many smaller species: monkeys, hare, rabbits, squirrels and foxes. Not far north in this province are wild elephants, rhinoceri, and the splendid black cattle, famous among hunters the world over; one was shot measuring eighteen hands at the shoulders.

"What does an elephant eat?"

While traveling upon them, I have seen them frequently strip the leaves from an overhanging bamboo bough by the way, and, slapping the bunch on their foreleg, eat it with much satisfaction; those leaves are their principal food, although they eat those of other trees. While they are in use near the city, palm leaves are given them. An elephant needs one full load of green food per day; from four to eight hundred pounds according to the size of the elephant. In Siam they are never fed grain nor given shelter. When not working, their fore feet are closely tied with large rattan and they are turned loose into the forest. Each elephant has a keeper, who lives under temporary shelter near their foraging ground. A fine large tusker has been drawing large teak logs out of the river for us lately. He was very docile, and during noontime was allowed to come into the yard and eat grass; his tusks were about four feet long, very thick, white and fine.

"What are the mission houses built of?"

Of teak; hard wood, in color a little lighter than walnut, with a reddish tinge.

"Why are captives allowed to be taken?"

Because there is not enough money in the treasury at Bangkok for our good King to enforce his laws. There is no law here; the

Princes rule, and a few rupees bribe them to allow any crime.

"Do we have religious services for the people daily?"

Certainly. The bell is rung at seven o'clock every night and all the people on the place are required to attend.

Dr. McGilvary and Mr. Martin have had a number of men under training as evangelists at Chieng-Mai the past year. Only one here is capable of receiving such instruction. To him Dr. Peoples gives all the help he can find time to give. Native teachers and preachers are the means to use in this land, but we must have schools first, to get our men and women from. Chieng-Mai is twenty years ahead of Lakawn, but do you pray and we will work, and God's kingdom will surely come here, too.

Mrs. S. C. Peoples.

POOM'S WEDDING.

MARRIED.—In Petchaburi, Siam, November 12th, 1886, at the "Ladies' Home," by Rev. E. P. Dunlap, Mr. Mewie and Miss Poom, all of Petchaburi.

Poom's English name is Kate Glenwood. She was redeemed from slavery by the pupils of Glendale College, Ohio, some nine years ago. They paid $40.80 for her ransom, and she has been with us ever since. She has grown up to be a bright woman and earnest Christian. She is rather pretty, very industrious, and I shall miss her greatly, for no matter when I called her, or what I wanted her to do, she was always ready.

Mr. Mewie is a respectable young man, and rather fine looking. His father is postmaster of this city, and he himself one of the clerks of the court. I regret he is not a Christian. He has promised, however, not to interfere with Kate's keeping the Sabbath, and going to church and prayer-meeting, and you can all help to pray for him, and the Holy Spirit can convert him, too.

They were married in our parlor, and the house and verandahs were full of guests, over two hundred I should think. The groom wore a purple waistcloth and white coat, and the bride looked gay in her brown and gold-colored skirt, green jacket and yellow scarf, all of silk.

The refreshments were tea, cake and candy, with oranges, and in addition to the congratulations, the people pronounced Siamese blessings on the bride and groom. One morose old gentleman "hoped they would have all sorts of prosperity, and live a thousand years!" The father of the groom brought it down to one hundred years. Another "hoped they would never be sick and never quarrel." And still another advised them to "live so as to please the missionaries." These were all the groom's special friends, and as they do not believe in God, they did not ask His blessing to rest upon them, but Mr. Dunlap had already done that. As the guests departed the groomsmen formed a procession, and, carrying the presents, went to Mr. Mewie's home. After them followed the bride and groom with the bridesmaids and some old ladies. We threw rice after them, according to the Siamese fashion and with good wishes sent them on their way rejoicing, through the moonlight. When they reached the house his parents received them kindly, blessed them, and promised to love Poom as their own daughter. They presented her a bag of silver coins and a gold ring, and her husband gave her two gold rings.

Pooms's old grandmother, seventy-six years of age, came up the river nearly twenty miles to attend the wedding. She thanked me for taking good care of Poom, and giving her such a nice wedding. Quite a number of the Governor's household were present.

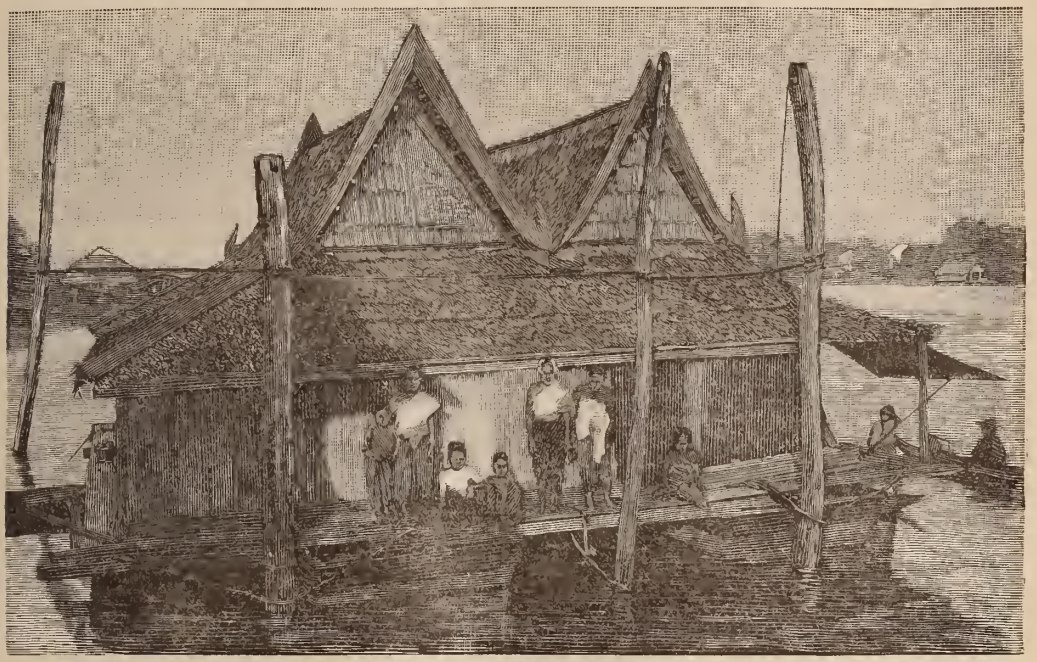
When Poom and I were having a last quiet talk together, she begged we would keep on loving her, and never forget her at the hour of prayer. I told this to the girls when we met in the dormitory the next night, and one dear little Laos maiden knelt and asked God to bless both husband and wife, and help them to walk together in the way to heaven.

Mary L. Cort.

THE NEW school-room in Salmas is finished and used for Sunday service. Miss Van Duzee's house is to be ready this spring. Hoormah is teaching a school in Oola.

SIAMESE FLOATING HOUSES.

Thousands of the people of Bangkok, the capital city of Siam, live in floating houses. They line the banks of the river for several miles, and are found in the larger canals, and are peculiar to this country. They are about thirty by forty feet at the base, eight feet high to the eaves in front and fifteen to the ridge of the roof. The roofs are always thatched, and as a single one could not be made high enough to shed rain, and at the same time be safe on the river in a squall, they are made double, as seen in the engraving. This makes these houses seem more numerous than they really are. A thousand would perhaps be a liberal estimate.



The engraving gives an end view of one of these houses; for a front view see "Siam and Laos" page 89. The house seen in the picture rests on two pontoons, or flat-bottomed boats, but such supports have been but recently introduced and are rare. Floating houses are usually buoyed up by rafts of bamboo poles which will last about two years, and must be renewed from time to time as they decay. Nothing could be better adapted for making these rafts than the bamboo, which is often found five or six inches in diameter at the larger end. It is impervious to water, hollow, and very light, and its joints form water-tight compartments. Such a raft cannot sink.

The whole structure, thus raised some two feet above the water, is secured in its place by rings or hoops of rattan, moving up and down on long upright posts driven firmly into the muddy bed of the river. These rings enable the house to fall or rise, six or seven feet, with the ebb and flow of the tide.

There are always two principal rooms, a front and an inner one. The verandahs, five feet wide, are enclosed at the back and sides, so there are really four rooms, or *five* with the back verandah which serves as a kitchen, the smoke escaping through a trap door in the roof. The front room is often used as a shop, and is then all thrown open to the verandah by day. The proprietor sits tailor-fashion on the floor, with his goods displayed on shelves conveniently arranged. The purchaser need not leave his boat, but may have the articles he wishes brought to him for inspection.

In one shop you may find china ware of all kinds; in another, brass ware; in a third, bleached, unbleached and turkey red muslin, Siamese waist-clothes, and a few calicoes. In

another, you may purchase tiger skins and claws, snake skins, monkeys' bones, deer horns and peacock tails; the next may be a tin shop or a tea store, and the next a restaurant, with strings of red peppers, dressed poultry and slices of fresh pork, hung out to tempt the Siamese appetite.

Plentifully mixed among them all, are gambling houses, known at night by their large, peculiar lanterns, and by day, many of them, by a picture of a great tiger, ready to pounce upon its prey. This is pasted upon the wall, a strange but very appropriate design for such an establishment.

Some of our earlier missionaries have lived in floating houses, and found them not uncomfortable residences.

One decided advantage these houses have over more fixed abodes, is the ease with which they can be removed to some more favorable locality, if a fire breaks out near them, or if business is dull, or neighbors not agreeable. But then again, they sometimes get loose from their moorings, and play truant, when their occupants have no desire to change their place. This happened once to some missionary friends of ours, who, through the over zeal of their servants, in the excitement of a fire near by, found themselves adrift at midnight and were carried some twelve miles down the river by their run-away house, at great peril to their lives. At turn of tide, they floated safely back to their old moorings, yet you will not wonder that their preferences ever after, were decidedly in favor of a home on *terra firma*.

H. M. H.

THE FOLLOWING letter once more connects Miss Coffman's name and the Mission with which she was identified. Miss Coffman died in this country in November, 1885.

"Your letter containing $106.00 from Miss Coffman's estate was received long ago. * * * We resolved to have the money do good in as many ways as possible. We purchased a small printing press and type, the very press that dear Miss Coffman had often said she would like to purchase for this station. We also bought three good, small bells for our three country churches. We thought this appropriate, for none could be more faithful in calling people to church than was Miss Coffman. Through the week she would often go out and invite them to come, and on Sabbath morning, as she passed along the street to the chapel, she would urge the people to come and hear the Word. We have also ordered a silver-plated communion service for the country church at Bangkaboon. Miss Coffman was here at the organization of this little church, and she ever watched its growth with the deepest interest. There is still a small balance which we shall probably use in purchasing another bell for Ban Laam, where we expect soon to build a chapel and organize a church as well.

I cannot tell you how much we miss Miss Coffman here at Petchaburi. When I announced her death after one of our communion seasons, strong men wept, and women who had been drawn to the Saviour through her teaching sobbed aloud. One might justly say she gave her life for this people. I have never labored with one who was so fully consecrated. She lovingly helped us all. God be praised for her most precious memory and her life of self-sacrifice here! Whilst we would not call her back, we cannot help mourning the loss to us and the work.

Very sincerely, E. P. DUNLAP."

PETCHABURI NOTES. From Miss Cort's Report. —Eight day-schools within a radius of thirty miles from the station, have been taught at a cost of $300, or $1.50 per pupil. Each school-house serves also the purpose of a bazaar chapel. Teachers' wages were $3.00 a month. "Some of the older pupils, especially the girls, say they love Christ, but as yet no one has been baptized." All these schools were closed a part of the year for want of money.

"I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD."

A young Koordish shepherd, a patient at the Oroomiah Hospital, was deeply interested but not inclined to receive any truth of which he was not fully convinced. One of the hardest things for him to accept was Christ's free forgiveness of sin. With his hot, Koordish blood, he could not see how Christ could forgive without first taking revenge. At last, one day, he heard the passage read where Christ likens himself to the Good Shepherd. He eagerly asked to have those verses repeated, and then asked: "Does Jesus truly love me as I love my sheep? Now I see how he can forgive my sins." Here was something the

shepherd boy could take hold of. He staid with us until we all became attached to him, and by his patient, cheerful spirit he won many friends. But reading was quite beyond him. Daily he would struggle manfully with the alphabet, only to find the next day that "it had all gone out of his memory." But he did not seem to forget what was read to him.

Towards spring he returned to his dark mountain home in a Nestorian village, where pillage and bloodshed are scenes of almost weekly occurrence. From there we kept hearing good reports of his conduct, and of his always being among the first to respond to the board and wooden mallet, which served as church bell. Now he has had to return to us quite helpless, and yet he crawls up the stairs on all fours to morning and evening prayers. He says he learned a good deal when he was here before, but he wishes to learn more of the way to do right.

Emma G. Cochrane.

AN OPPORTUNE SURPRISE.

(FROM LETTERS.)

Women in Korea are of so little consequence they have not even a name. A baby girl has a baby name for a few years, but the mother has none. There are few ways of finding out anything regarding their private life and customs, because it is very rude to ask a man anything about his wife. I never could tell you how secluded they are kept, and of how little importance considered, and in the face of all this how hopeless it has seemed to think of our ever reaching them.

Yet God has put it into the hearts of *two Korean women* to come and ask the Doctors to teach them English and all they can about medicine. The difficulties in the way they seem ingenious enough to surmount. They proposed wearing men's garments and coming to us at night, in closed chairs, to avoid being seen. As soon as the new hospital is opened, they propose taking a room there to live in and act as nurses in the female department. They are good, womanly, determined, strong-minded persons in their every appearance, and we look upon the proceeding as a special manifestation of God's blessing and encouragment. Like all His blessings it comes when we need it, and can receive it. The new hospital will be opened in a few weeks, with a department for women. Where *was* Miss Ellers' help to come from? The problem is solved for us in a most unexpected way.

A great many Korean gentlemen come to see us, and we try not to shock them by questions which, according to their way of thinking, would be the height of rudeness. We have not learned their politest forms, else we should always speak of our 'miserable hovel,' and our guest's 'palatial residence;' of our food, that is 'too poor for the dogs,' and our guest's 'sumptuous fare.' That is the rule; demean yourself, and praise and flatter the guest. He acknowledges all this flattery with a profound bow, and assures you, "you are a thousand times kind." He asks you to make him presents of expensive things, but you are not forgotten. He soon sends you bamboo blinds, mats, rolls of fine linen and silk, and when you remember it is their custom, and he has given of his abundance, you begin to devise means to give in return. For the missionary, it is a constant struggle to find the golden mean in getting along with people to whom we wish to recommend ourselves.

I have seen one pleasant little manifestation of regard for a wife. Not long since we had twelve men, officers connected with the hospital, here to dinner. One old man of sixty years who had never been at a foreign table before, carefully saved all his fried chicken, potatoes, pie, and cakes, which he carried home to show his wife. You should see those wonderful sleeves, long and wide, reaching nearly to the knee, and sewed up just enough to make a nice bag of them. They are usually made of fine linen, or thin silk, so thin linen, you can see through it like a veil. It is pounded till it has a beautiful glossy appearance. Day and night, the women may be heard pounding clothes. I have come to like the sound, for it savors more of industry and thrift than any other which reaches me.

SEOUL, KOREA. *Fannie M. Allen.*

HIAWATHA.

[COMMUNICATED.]

A beautiful romance hovers about the Senecas, or the various fragments of the Six Nations whom we now call the Senecas. The people of the Empire State ought to be proud of their heritage, and to cherish the history and even the legends of those ill-starred tribes who once rejoiced in it as their ancestral home. What a country they possessed with its three hundred small lakes besides those great inland seas which formed its northern border! What a country, especially for Indians who loved both forest and lake, whose only vehicle was the birch canoe, and whose implements of industry were the fishing rod, the spear, and the bow.

It does not appear that there were ever more than ten thousand of these confederate Iroquois. They were about six thousand at the close of the French war, and somewhat less at the close of the Revolution. There are over five thousand now,—four thousand in New York alone, besides the Oneidas near Green Bay. But how faint a resemblance have these to the proud and sovereign tribes who once dominated the continent, from the St. Lawrence to the southern Gulf, and from the Atlantic to the Mississippi. We who have entered upon their possessions are scarcely aware of their presence among us; we are oblivious of the frauds by which their land titles were "extinguished." Late as it is, let us be more just in the future.

We venerate the founders of our Republic; let us also do justice to the founders of that earlier republic, which the late Governor Horatio Seymour called "The First United States of America." No matter if the League of the Iroquois emerged from a halo of myths; most nations or races have traced their early history to a golden haze of the supernatural.

The League is supposed to have been formed in the Sixteenth Century. The story runs thus:

A superhuman benefactor appeared among the Onondagas. He bore a striking similarity to the Quetzalcohuatl of the Aztecs and in some features he resembled the God-man, Jesus Christ. He was of most benign countenance and bearing, and from the first was viewed with peculiar reverence. He came in a mystic white canoe which glided with equal facility over the waves or through the air. His ministry concerned chiefly the temporal thrift of the Indians. He taught them the use of various fruits and a rude agriculture, as well as skill in the chase. He inculcated all noble virtues, truth and bravery and the love of their country and race. He drew nearer and nearer to the people and shared and exemplified their life. He married a wife of the Onondagas and reared a lodge on the southern shore of what is known as Cross Lake. He had one only daughter, a beautiful and queenly girl, who was well nigh worshiped as a goddess. She was the delight of her father, and accompanied him in his mystic canoe when he attended the great councils. At length his fame extended to the neighboring tribes and he was known as *Hiawatha* or the "Wise Counsellor."

But the time of trial came which only his divine sagacity could meet. Powerful tribes from beyond the northern lakes swept down upon the Onondagas, the Cayugas, the Senecas, the Mohawks and the Oneidas, and were despoiling them in detail. The smoke of burning villages arose on every side and, while the brave warriors were overcome in battle, the women and children were slain without mercy. All eyes were turned imploringly to Hiawatha. He called a council of the five tribes to be held on the shores of Onondaga Lake.

At the time appointed, the waters of the forest-begirt lake were alive with the loaded canoes that came from every quarter, and the wood trails were threaded by long and countless files of men, women and children whose only safety was under the protection of the warriors. It was a mighty gathering, but strangely enough, when all were assembled, Hiawatha himself was not there. After waiting three days, messengers were sent to bring him. He was found in a state of great dejection like the midnight sorrow in Gethsemane.

He had a presentiment of some great sacrifice which the national crisis must cost him though he knew not what form it would take.

But he went to the council accompanied by his beautiful daughter. Down the deep waters of the Seneca glided, self-moved, his white canoe till he reached the outlet near Gohakee (Geneva?) and thence passed to the Onondaga "cradled among lofty and far-sweeping hills." He landed and proceeded to the sightly eminence on which the council was convened, though with sad and heavy step. But the hour had come in which the Great Spirit was to demand a vicarious sacrifice as a seal to the League of the Iroquois. And suddenly, out of a clear sky, came a black and threatening cloud with deafening noise, at which all but Hiawatha and his daughter fled. Suddenly out of the cloud appeared a great, white bird flying swiftly as an arrow, and in an instant it crushed the beautiful maiden to the earth, the bird also being crushed by the blow.

Girding himself with sorrowful resignation, Hiawatha proceeded to the great council fire where all hearts were filled with deep solemnity. The orators of the tribes were heard and opinions were compared, but Hiawatha was wise and never hasty. He proposed to ponder the subject till the following day, when all eagerly listened to his words. "Friends and brothers," he began, "you are members of many tribes. The voice of war has roused you up. You tremble for the safety of your homes, your wives and your children. My heart bleeds with yours; we are one. To oppose these nothern hordes singly and alone would prove our destruction. We must unite ourselves in one common brotherhood. We must have but one voice. We must have one camp fire, one pipe, one club. This will give us strength. Brothers, these are the words of Hiawatha. Let them sink deep into your hearts. I have said it."

This plan of a perpetual league was unanimously adopted, and the warriors, to deepen the memory of these impressive scenes, plucked each a white plume from the celestial bird as his emblem of victory, and many generations later the Iroquois went into battle with a plume of the white heron gleaming in their head-dress.

The work of Hiawatha was now done. His beloved daughter had gone before, and his ascension drew nigh. Gathering the tribes about him, he blessed them by name, much as Jacob leaning on his staff blessed the families of his sons, then, with a short address to the League, in which he anticipated the chief maxims of Washington's farewell address, he took his departure. "As the voice of the wise man ceased," says Schoolcraft, "sweet sounds from the air burst on the ears of the multitude. The whole sky appeared filled with melody, and while all eyes were directed to catch glimpses of the sights and enjoy the strains of the celestial music that filled the sky, Hiawatha was seen seated in his snow white canoe, in the mid-air, rising with every choral chant that burst forth. As he rose, the sounds became more soft and faint, till he vanished in the summer clouds and the melody ceased."

It is said that the Six Nations (the Tuscaroras were received into the League during the last century) monopolized the eloquence of the American Indian tribes. Logan, Red Jacket and Cornplanter were certainly remarkable for the pathetic oratory with which they remonstrated against the wrongs inflicted by the white man. One cannot read the annals of these noble aborigines without a feeling of sadness. Some of their appeals made to Sir William Johnson, to his son, and to Governor Clinton are real classics, and some of the treaties by which their lands were alienated are a disgrace to the Empire State.

In western New York and just over the Pennsylvania line, there are five reservations with about four thousand Indians. They are mere fragments of tribes,—Senecas, Cayugas, Tonawandas, Tuscaroras, and some of the descendants of Red Jacket.

There is reserved for us not merely the interest of history and poetic romance, beautiful as these may be. Earnest Christian work is to be done for the *remnant.* In the heart of Genesee County, it is said, that the Tonawandas have returned to heathen rites, after a suspension of ten years' duration.

Letters from the Front.

SIAM.

Famous Festivities at the Capital.

Miss Edna Cole, who since her return last year has taken charge of the Bangkok boarding-school, wrote on January 25th :

Just now the King and his nobles have been having the grandest celebration known in this land for the last century.

You doubtless know there is a faction among the nobles who do not favor the King and his improvements. The King wishes to secure the succession to his little son, now nine years old, and these ceremonies were to appoint the little fellow Crown Prince, and have all the princes and governors take the oath of allegiance to him.

The palace and city have been a blaze of glitter for the past two weeks. All centres in a bath which the Crown Prince must take to represent him as child of the water and the lotus. A beautiful golden pavilion was built over the water just in front of the palace, enclosing enough of the water to allow for the ceremony. When the propitious moment arrived, (a little after eleven A. M.), guns were fired, drums beat, banners waved and the little Prince was handed down into the water. Gold and silver cocoanuts floated its surface, and pinchbeck crabs, crawfish, etc., were also put in by the Brahmin priests.

None of the foreigners could witness the ceremony, but very soon the King and his son, in grandest apparel, appeared, bowing and smiling to all, and headed the procession back to the palace.

The most delightful entertainment of all was an evening garden party, given in the King's garden. Everything was a blaze of light and color. Many little booths were put up, gay and graceful, containing all kinds of refreshments for everybody, and all free. A peculiar feature was that *nearly all the noblemen had their wives with them*, and there was many a pretty group of Siamese men and women chatting with as much freedom and ease as one could wish to see. The King and Queen were both present, speaking to many and bowing to all, very free and social. The party was so novel and so beautiful that all were charmed. It was a fitting close to the grand ceremonies that lasted two weeks.

Miss Jennie Small closed a letter from Bangkok, December 8th, whither she and Miss Neilson had gone for presbytery, in vacation, and where, to their delight, they met the new missionaries, as well as some of the veterans whom they had not seen before. She wrote, a few days previously, from Petchaburi :

I have just come from a visit to the girls. There are only five or six of them, now, as it is vacation and most have gone. I have learned to love them just as dearly as I loved the children in our schools at home. They are such a help about learning the language, willing to repeat over and over again, and almost never laugh at my mistakes.

The Governor was sorry to have school close on account of his little girls, and expressed himself highly gratified with the progress they had made. Miss Neilson taught the oldest one to work on canvas, and when she had finished a tidy and carried it home, the whole family were delighted. Since Dr. and Mrs. Thompson have come, there are nine grown people and five children at Petchaburi, more than ever at one time before. The Doctor treats from twenty to thirty patients almost every day. Not long since, he extracted a needle from a little boy's nose, and the father, a well-to-do Chinaman, was so grateful he came the next day with his hands full of presents ; dressed fowls, slices of pork, fruit, etc.

A State Dinner.

Two weeks ago the Prime Minister of Siam, who has a country residence at this place, came over from Bangkok, and one evening invited all of us to dine with him. We went in our boat, and one of the sons met us at the landing and escorted us into a large, square court, where seats were arranged and the table set. A Siamese band discoursed sweet (?) music ; women and girls in bright-colored scarfs sat around on the verandahs, and the whole scene had a gay and oriental appearance. The dinner was elegant, served in true English style, beginning with soup and ending with coffee. Two of the sons have been educated abroad, one in England and the other in France, so we had conversation both in Siamese and English. We sat almost two hours at the table, and

before we arose His Excellency toasted the Missionaries, commending their work and thanking them for all they have done for this people. Mr. Dunlap responded in his usual happy style.

After dinner we were conducted to a lighted pavilion on the river bank, where we had fireworks and some two hundred tiny boats made of the pith of the plaintain and lighted with wax tapers were sent floating down the stream. This was done partly for our amusement, and partly as an offering to the spirits of the waters. It was a beautiful sight, and I only regretted that such heathenish notions are connected with the custom.

This Prime Minister has always been friendly toward the Mission, and has done a great deal for it. It is he who offered the property at Ratburi whenever we are ready to commence work there.

JAPAN.

Training School for Nurses at Tokyo.

This object of special effort and desire with the Philadelphia Society, is at last upon its feet.

Mrs. True wrote January 17th :

I am glad to say that our class of women for the Training School is safely housed in the quarters we have built for them. We have six as bright and promising women as could be desired, to begin with. One is a Christian young woman, who came from the country to study something by which she could benefit her neighbors ; that was the word that came with her. When the Training School was suggested, she was delighted to try it.

Another has had her heart set on studying medicine, and is about half through her course, but has no means with which to go on. Medical schools are not open to women here, but she is anxious to study privately and pass her examinations. She has come to get what she can from lectures, to study English, and teach part of the time.

A third is on trial and not sure she wishes to study, as she never had the chance when young. She is bright, and reads well, but has no habits of study. I am pleased with what I have seen of the Japanese lady physician. She is ready to assist us, and other physicians will also help.

Dr. Whitney asked if we could arrange to supply his little hospital with women for nurses. As his work is all charity and little help has come for it, he will not be able to pay, but the opportunity for practice will be a blessing to the women. Many of the Japanese are greatly interested in the Training School plan.

I must tell you how deeply thankful I am for the manifest leadings of God, with regard to the starting of this work.

I did not see how I could do it at first with our school so crowded and having no experience in such work. But little by little the way has cleared up and helpers have been provided, until now I begin to feel the responsibility is not mine, but that the Master has taken it into His own care, and will provide all needed helps and make all crooked places straight.

You will wonder why these women are to be taught English. The fact is, the Japanese are so sure that every one above a coolie must know English, that we thought it best to spend a little time upon it, especially as English books on nursing and cook-books will be of great use to them. They have now these lessons : Bible, physiology, lessons on nursing translated and written out by them, and soon a cooking-class will be commenced. Oh, yes,— and English !

CHINA.

Mrs. Paul Bergen wrote from Che-nan-foo in December :

I have waited almost purposely to let my enthusiasm cool a little before writing, for I wish not to give false impressions one way or the other. But the work is so near my heart I think I can compare my feelings with those of a gold-miner. One day he thinks he is near finding gold, and the next that the precious metal must yet be far from him.

When Mr. and Mrs. Murray left us we were a trembling set. Of the six people left, none of us were thirty years old. Mr. Reid had been in China four years, my husband and I three years, Dr. and Mrs. Coltman and Mr. Chalfant one year, still at the language. This is a *very hard* place. We felt our weakness, but resolving to do our best, and relying entirely on God's help, we began to take up the work laid down. The older Christians seemed to realize the condition of affairs, and have been helpful and kind. I threw myself into the kind hands of the women, and frankly confessed my position, told them I wanted so much to help them, but felt at a loss how to do it. I asked them to decide the plan of our work. In our women's meeting twice a week, I always count on fourteen women, and one or more of them bring two or three friends apiece. So you see we formed quite a committee for consultation. There are eight women of Che-nan-foo who are members of our church, but three of them never come to worship, so our committee were more than half outsiders "interested in the doctrine." They all united in asking to begin with Matthew, taking only a few verses at a time, so that each could learn to read what we studied, and also asked to take up Mrs. Nevius' catechism, a few questions at a time, for they said : "We know a good deal in general about this doctrine, but we want to know it more firmly and connectedly." From that time to this we have had some glorious meetings. Glossy satins, soft fur and heavy silk get side by side with coarse, blue cotton, and all the women study God's word, and take their turn in answering questions. They try so hard to learn.

I confess I expected them to grow careless and discouraged long before this, but they are more in earnest to-day than they were the day we organized. I try to prepare myself so well as to make it worth their trouble to come. It is not easy for a Chinese woman, especially a poor Chinese woman, to give up two days in the week to come to worship.

We arrived in Che-nan-foo November 8th 1883, and on November 8th, 1886, a delegate from our church presented my husband a call to become pastor here. He accepted and has been duly installed. Our lot has fallen in places, hard in some respects, but very pleasant in others. By the time Mr. and Mrs. Murray return we will be well under way, new-comers and all.

INDIA.

The first letter to come to hand from MISS HUTCHISON, who went to India last year, was sent from FUTTEHGURH, in January. She reports for herself, "good health and strength, and a new year just full of bright hopes and prospects in my own little sphere." She says:

I had the privilege of teaching the infant class in the Sabbath-school at Mynpurie. The little ones were all children of Christians, so the teaching resembled my last Sabbath-school work at home. Two girls ten years of age, could read nicely in both Hindu and Roman, and recite their catechism lessons in a way that would put many a little American girl to shame. The rest were tiny ones who had to be taught, interested, and managed as restless little 'infant classes' have to be at home. This work of turning their hearts to a near Saviour, who is ever present in their little lives, was very sweet, and I loved to see their bright, interested faces when we talked of being Jesus' children.

Synod and the annual mission meetings were held here in Futtehgurh during November. Toward the middle of the month we packed up bag and baggage and came over from Mynpurie. We enjoyed very much meeting the missionaries from the two other missions as well as our own, but most of all did I consider it a privilege to hear the Word preached in our own tongue, to be able to understand every word of a sermon, and not have to make the listening a kind of study. The building in which most of the guests were entertained was a large, airy bungalow, about a mile from the Rakha church in which the meeting of the Synod was held. This house was given by a wealthy, friendly Hindu, for use on this occasion. He came down every morning to see if things were getting on right. One day we met him driving in his *palkey* and busy counting his beads.

It was a beautiful spot, this 'Gilmore's Bungalow,' as it was called, with such a pretty garden in front, filled with lovely roses; then there were tall, home-like poplar trees, and green orange trees gleaming with bright, yellow fruit. From the windows, or rather the doors, of the drawing room, (for Indian houses have no windows), could be seen the white sand of the Ganges river-bed, with the water flowing like a streak of light in the centre. All this was interesting to new-comers.

You have heard of the changes of the annual meeting, and understand why I am writing from Futtehgurh. I had grown to love Mynpurie, but I shall be quite happy to begin my first real work here, and hope to help Miss Seeley among the Furrukhabad Girls' Schools this year. She will have her old work back again, and oh, there will be so much to do! She ought to be happy in the number of zenanas which open wide their doors to her.

PERSIA.

We are happy in receiving our first letter from MISS CHARLOTTE MONTGOMERY, who has lately joined her sister at HAMADAN:

Is it not almost time for me to be reporting myself to the kind friends in New York? It is now almost three months since, from the deck of the Servia, we waved farewell to them all. And what a pleasant journey it has been, and how much I have enjoyed every bit of it, even to the voyage on the Caspian and the caravan journey across the mountains! Even the discomforts were enjoyable. We would be awakened before dawn, dress and pack up by the light of a tallow candle, sit down on the floor to breakfast, while in the yard below the tinkling of the caravan bells mingled with the shouting of the men as the animals received their burdens for the day. After a great deal of bustle and confusion, we are really off, at the slow pace which after a few hours becomes monotonous. But the scenery is ever varied. At noon, stop for lunch; sometimes under the trees of an olive grove, sometimes standing by a little hovel on the road side, sometimes in a very comfortable *manzil*, then off again, traveling sometimes after night before we reach a stopping place, and so glad to rest, that we think the room beautiful and ourselves happy, if it posseses a fire and a door. * * * * * * * *

As we drove up to our last post-house, we found Dr. Torrence and Mr. Hawkes waiting for us, and within, my own darling sister and Miss Bartlett. Those kind friends had driven out to this place the evening before to welcome us. And what a happy, thankful party sat down to the breakfast they had prepared! * * * * Preparations completed for our last journey, the 24th of November finds us once more on the road, this time off for home. This was not worth calling a journey, it was so easy and pleasant. [From Teheran to Hamadan.] * * * * Tuesday afternoon I am told we are nearing home, and try to realize it.

Presently rounding a little hill we spy a group by the roadside, who are recognized by the party, and I learn they are friends come out to welcome us. Greetings are exchanged and we are off again, soon meet another party, and still another, and so on, until our company becomes a crowd, which as we neared the city was increased by numbers of boys, walking or on donkeys, and all must come up, shake hands and bid us welcome in their own tongue. It amazed me how Annie could recognize them all and call them all by name. I delighted her by saying: "What nice looking people. I have not seen any to compare with them in Persia."

Can you picture us on that ride, she and I on horses which for our own comfort we had to let walk, attended by such a crowd, most of them on fiery little horses and who seemed to like to exhibit their skill in riding, as they would fairly fly off over the plain, discharging firearms in our honor.

By degrees the city is reached; we are escorted to our own street where we have to dismount on account of the crowd of women waiting for us, and we are kissed by all, first on one cheek and then on the other. Next, our own family claim attention, all looking so fresh and bright, their black eyes fairly shining with delight. Now we are free to find our own room, and drawing a long breath, say, "Home at last." But only in one sense. We rest that night, but bright and early Annie is astir making preparations to move into our new home. That day and the next all was bustle and confusion and going to and fro. By the third day we had two rooms in order and the people were told they could come to see us. The men came first; in the morning about eight they began and till night our rooms were thronged, and all were served with tea, candy and fruit. At one time there were ninety-five women and children seated on the floor of our two rooms, while we sat in the door between.

Before they left we had a prayer-meeting conducted partly in Persian and partly in Armenian, so that all could hear a little. Saturday was a repetition of the same thing; in two days we entertained two hundred and fifty-eight.

UNITED STATES OF COLOMBIA.

Miss Franks finding the altitude of Bogota is likely to always cripple her health, wishes her friends to know with what regret she has decided to leave:

"No one can imagine the heart-grief it is costing me to give up. My life at the College has been exceedingly happy, and I am very sorry to leave Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell, as well as the rest of our Mission circle, with all of whom I have passed three of the happiest years of my life. There is but one thing that takes away the sting of the separation, and that is: my place may be filled by some lady who plays the piano and sings well. Such a person could do an immense amount of good, with that talent consecrated to the Lord. I leave it all with Him."

CHILI.

Mrs. Julia H. Dodge has kindly written from Valparaiso, under date of Jan. 15th:

With us, as in other missionary fields, there is more to tell of what is to be done than of what has already been accomplished, but we are not without encouraging signs. It was with difficulty that Dr. Trumbull, forty years ago, held Divine service for even the English-speaking residents here. When the first church was erected, the authorities ordered a high, wooden wall placed before the building to shelter it from people who might be tempted to break the windows or set it on fire! I have heard them tell how strange it seemed to creep into church behind this same wall. But the congregation in the hidden church increased to such an extent that it was necessary to build a much larger one, that which the Union Church now occupies.

Later, your Board took up work in behalf of the Native population, and now there are four congregations. An excellent paper, *El Heraldo*, is published every fortnight. The English work is in charge of Dr. Trumbull and Mr. Dodge. We have also a local Bible Society and Orphanage. The Society was organized in 1861, and has distributed in Chili since that time more than 40,000 Scriptures, besides good books, papers and tracts. We have also a Mission to the seamen in the harbor, which is in part supported by the Seamens' Friend Society in New York.

During the last year, the Mission established itineracy through the principal points south of Santiago, where there are no churches. Mr. Allis, Mr. Lester, and a Spanish evangelist have been received at these places with great interest, and the people have assembled in large numbers to hear the Gospel. At the late meeting of the Presbytery four candidates were licensed for the ministry. We pray for a native ministry. The Sunday-school in Valparaiso is flourishing, and the day-school well conducted; it has decided missionary influence; the Bible is read and taught daily. The school is under the direction of Mr. Garvin, who has charge of the Mission church in this city. He and his wife are untiring in their efforts to bring the Gospel to the people.

Lately, there has been a new start in printing Spanish tracts. Many people receive them gladly, and would like to be taught the truth; but oh, so ignorant and superstitious they are! They actually worship images. You do not see Roman Catholicism in the United States as it is abroad, but Chili is progressing in many ways, and men are being educated to think more for themselves.

Home Department.

THE MONTHLY MEETING — May.

Scripture Reading, Ps. 96.

General Topic.— Our Missions in Siam and Laos.

"There is no new and sacred sight open to the eyes of present generations better worth study than the rising of the unobscured orb of Christianity in the Far East." Joseph Cook.

"Siam Our Peculiar Charge." (*F. M.*, May, '85.)
"The Indo-Chinese Peninsula," (*F. M.*, May, '86.)

Present state of the Siam Mission. (Name the two stations, out-stations, the workers; recent arrivals, and changes wrought by sickness, death, marriage or removal.)

Testimony of U. S. Consul to the value of missionary work in Siam. (*F. M.*, May, '86, p. 550.)

Testimony to the value of work done by our lady missionaries. (Letter, *F. M.*, Feb., '86.)

Our Schools in Siam. Description of life on a Mission Compound. (Refer to Miss Cort's book.)

The Chinese in Siam. Work of the American Baptist Mission among them. Short account of Rev. Dr. Dean. (Refer to Siam and Laos, Ch. VI, and to Miss Cort's book, p. 288.)

D. B. Bradley, M. D., and his thirty-eight years of service. (Historical Sketches, and Miss Cort's book, pp. 284-288.)

Attention was called last May to the early missionaries of the Presbyterian Board. Do not forget them. When was the first Presbyterian church organized? Who was the first member? Tell about his daughter, Ma Tuan. How many years of waiting for the first Siamese convert? When was the Presbytery of Siam formed? How many churches in that Presbytery, *now*?

Account of death of Nai Keo, a valued assistant. (Letter, *F. M.*, June, '86.)

Refer to Miss Cort's letter in *The Church at Home and Abroad*, March, 1887.

The Laos Mission. Name the two stations and the missionaries. Any changes since last May? (Refer to Historical Sketches, last Annual Reports of Assembly's Board, "The Laos Mission," and letter from Dr. McGilvary in *F. M.*, May, '86; *W. W.*, May, '86.)

"Interesting Events in the Laos Mission." Presbytery of North Laos organized. "Escaping the Superstitions of Witchcraft." (Letters, *F. M.*, Nov. and Dec., '85. These letters are not recent, but they are full of interest.)

More recent letters, *F. M.*, Sept. and Nov., '86, *W. W.*, Jan., Aug., Nov. and Dec., '86. Letters still more recent can easily be obtained.

E. M. R.

UNRECORDED STATISTICS.

I think no Christian can take a first glance at the charts arranged for showing the various degrees of spiritual enlightenment in the world, without being for a moment appalled at the multiplicity of those black squares and the deep shading in so many others. I say for a *moment*, for the voice of faith is not long silent, but with cheerful courage in its tone soon reminds us of the certain victory of light over darkness, and of the glorious day promised by the messengers of God all through the centuries, when the Sun of Righteousness shall leave no dark corner uncheered by his rays. We need to listen to this voice, for encouragement ever incites to effort.

It has often occurred to me that it would be some relief to the gloom which at times comes over the soul as it peers into the darkness, to recall the fact that there is a vast amount of unrecorded effort, and unrecorded results. Especially is this so in reference to woman's work among women, and I heartily believe that if the truth were known as God knows it, some of those dark squares concerning which no golden lettered statistics could be furnished, would glow with sparkles of light.

Much of the work done by Christian women whether at home or in foreign lands is necessarily unknown, except by the Master for love of whom it is done, and by the souls it seeks to bless. In lands where woman is still heavily in bondage and under almost absolute control of husband, father or priest, I do not doubt many a spark of faith and love is smouldering unknown to the world save by its results in gentle and more patient lives.

Many a Bible-class of women in Syria with its cluster of dark-eyed, dark-robed Druzes, its Maronites, Greeks, or Catholics, with here and there a daughter of Islam, would, I hope and believe, afford examples of this truth. In this one village on the Lebanon where two classes

for women are held weekly during the summer, less than half a dozen of the hundred or more names on the rolls of attendance, would rank among those of Protestant Christians. Still, as they listen to the Gospel story or learn some Scripture verse, containing in short and simple phrase the way of salvation through Christ, or repeat some prayer embodying the cry of a needy heart, the eye often glistens, the face is aglow with interest, and now and then some touching confession reveals an earnest effort to do right. As the rolls of membership are called the questions occur: "Are they not, perhaps unconsciously to themselves, receiving Christ? Are not some, at least, of these names already written in the 'Lamb's Book of Life?'" God knows their temptations. He knows the bondage earthly and spiritual imposed upon them. He knows every aspiration even though unspoken. He will hear the cry addressed to him from a troubled and burdened woman's heart, superstitious and ignorant though that heart may be, and unable, perhaps, throughout this life to burst the fetters which bind it. Let us not be discouraged. The sun has risen. No power can turn it backward in its course. The "noontide of glory" shall come.

"The windows of our souls we throw
Wide open to the sun."

Let us with eager hand push open too, each door of prison house and darkness within our reach.

ABEIH, MT. LEBANON *M. P. Dennis.*

BOOKS RECEIVED.

About Mexico, Past and Present. By HANNAH MORE JOHNSON. (Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia.) Price, $1.50.

In the freshet of new books about Mexico, this will easily find its place. It has been written after careful consultation of first-class authorities and contains sixty-three maps and illustrations. Beginning with the earliest history of Mexico, the present century is not touched until the twentieth chapter. The last two chapters contain a succinct account of Protestant Missions in the country, and that upon "Child-Life in Mexico," in the old days, will be enjoyed by the youngsters. The book is furnished with a convenient index.

Along River and Road in Fuhkien, China. By EDWIN JOSHUA DUKES. (American Tract Society.)

The author is evidently an English missionary, and his book relates to that part of China about Amoy. Mr. Dukes has written with considerable detail upon the traveler's usual subjects, and one unusual feature is the introduction of several Chinese tunes. There are also a number of illustrations. The chapter upon "Schools and Colleges" conveys fresh information upon the lack of learning in the Empire.

It is pleasant to see the author's jealousy for the good traits of the Chinese, to read his belief that "many of them not tabulated as Christians, 'do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with their God,'" and his opinion that the church growing up in China "is not going to be an English Church, nor an American Church but the Church of China."

Leng Tso, The Chinese Bible-Woman. A Sequel to "The Chinese Slave-Girl." By REV. J. A. DAVIS. (Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia.) 16mo. Price, $1.25

CURRENT LITERATURE AND MISSIONS.

MEXICAN NOTES, Charles Dudley Warner. *Harper's Monthly*, April, 1887.

CRUELTY OF OLD CUSTOMS. *Science*, April, 1887.

SOME PRINCIPLES OF CHURCH DEVELOPMENT IN JAPAN, Rev. Edward A. Lawrence. *The Andover Review*, March, 1887.

THE PROGRESS OF SAVAGE RACES, From, The Spectator. *Eclectic*, April, 1887.

THE VEDA, Prof. Wm. D. Whitney. *The Century*, April, 1887.

AROUND THE WORLD ON A BICYCLE—PERSIA, Thomas Stevens. *Outing*, March and April, 1887.

FRENCH AGGRESSION IN MADAGASCAR, The Malagasy Ambassador. *Fortnightly Review*, March, 1887.

WHAT "THE LIFE THAT NOW IS" OWES TO MISSIONS, Prof. T. Harwood Pattison, D. D. *The Sunday At Home*, March, 1887.

AN AFRICAN BISHOP, From, All The Year Round. *Eclectic*, April, 1887.

OUR TASK IN BURMAH. *Fortnightly Review*, March, 1887.

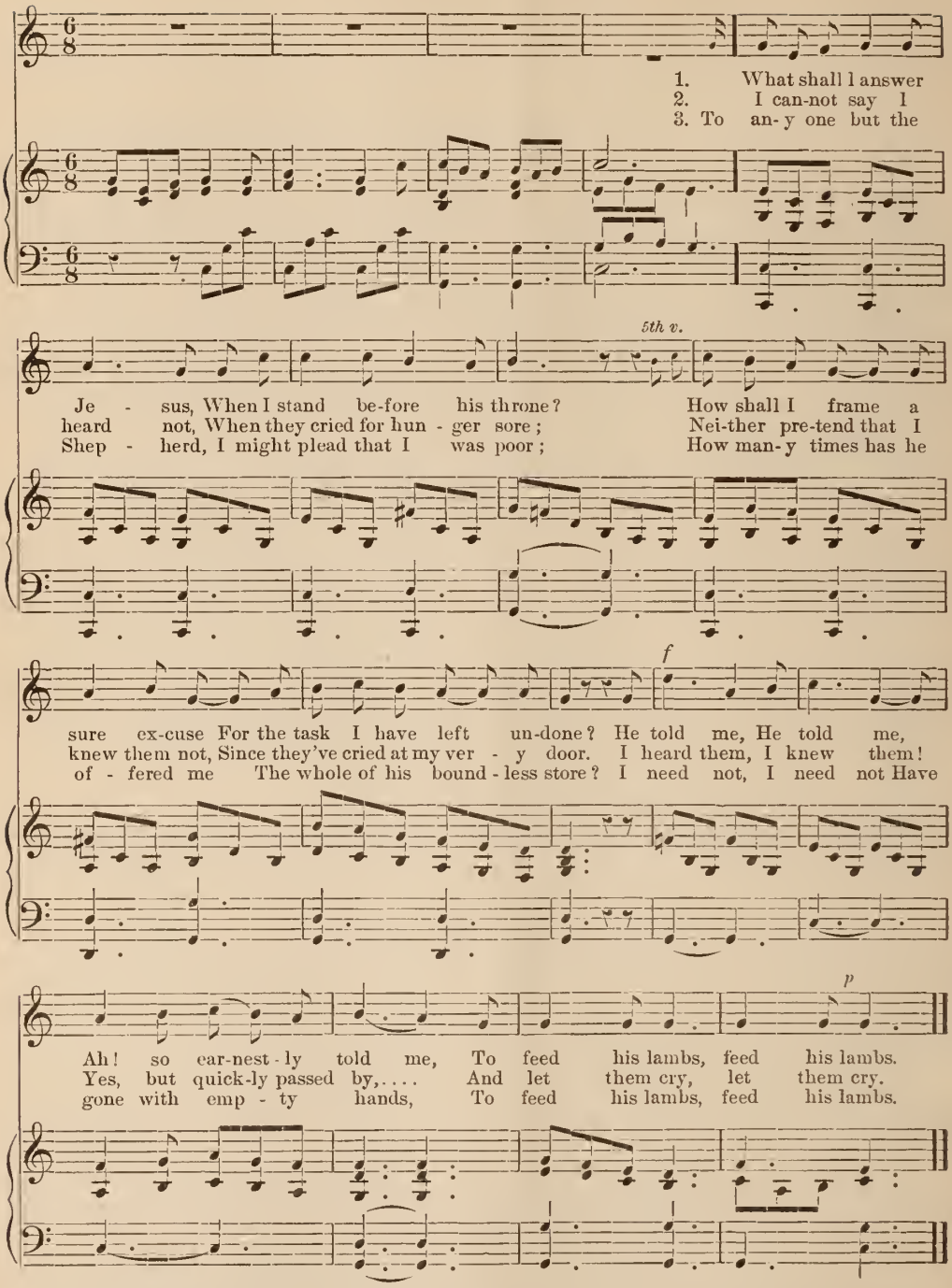
THE PROSPECT IN SOUTH AFRICA, The Right Hon. Earl Grey. *The Nineteenth Century*, March, 1887.

GOING TO A MEXICAN FUNERAL. Joaquin Miller. *The Independent*, April 7, 1887.

As in the candle I know there is both light and heat, but put out the candle and they are both gone—one remains not without the other—so it is with faith and works.—*Selden.*

WHAT SHALL I ANSWER JESUS?

[DEDICATED TO MRS. SARAH J. RHEA.]



4.

I cannot say that Pleasure
Made me her unwilling slave;
Nor that I strove to loose her chain
All the way to the brink of the grave.
I've sought her, I've sought her!
Yes, and willingly served her
All my life, all my life.

5.

I dare not say I loved him
More than all the world beside;
Nor remind him how oft he came to me
As a friend with a friend to abide.
He knows me, He knows me!
Knows I would, if I loved him,
Feed his lambs, feed his lambs.

6.

Call me now to answer
If I have obeyed thy will;
Grant that I yet may feed thy lambs,
Thy last loving request fulfill.
Forgive me! Forgive me,
O, good Shepherd, and help me
To feed thy lambs, feed thy lambs!

Mrs. H. A. Edson.

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Treasurer, Mrs. Julia M. Fishburn.

All letters to be sent to 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

Monthly meeting first Tuesday of the month, and prayer-meeting third Tuesday, at 12 M., in the Assembly Room.

The Annual Meeting of the corporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church will be held in the Assembly Room, 1334 Chestnut Street, on Tuesday, May 3d, 1887, at 11.45 A. M.

M. B. Smith, *Recording Secretary.*

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Orbison, who sailed for India in October, arrived in Lahore early in January. The outlook from the threshold of their missionary life is exceptionally bright. Both are young, enthusiastic, devoted. Dr. Orbison returns to the home of his childhood ready for service either as preacher or physician. Mrs. Orbison (who was for three years a Director in this Society) finds in her new work a fulfillment of a life-long prayer. She has had plenty to do from the outset. Housekeeping, a class in the Sunday-school of the Union Church of Lahore, and daily lessons in Hindostani, fill up her time, while for recreation there is a large circle of missionary friends to be cultivated.

Miss Etta M. Case goes out from the Oxford Church, Philadelphia, as a missionary to Japan. She is to be associated with Miss West in the work at Dai Machi, and will sail from San Francisco with Mr. and Mrs. David Thompson, April 12th. The cherished desire of her heart for years is thus to be granted; one more earnert worker is added to our number; and, because of this help, Miss Alexander will soon be enabled to return for rest. The Oxford Church has lost one of its most efficient missionary workers, especially among the young ladies, but they feel honored in being permitted to send one of their own number to the foreign field.

We have also the pleasure of recording the name of another new missionary this month. Miss Anna Seward, of Nordhoff, California, has been accepted by the Board, but the time of her departure has not yet been fixed. She is a cousin of Mrs. Shaw, who is identified with our mission work in China, and is one of those who are counted worthy to "go tell the glad tidings."

Our fourth graduate from the Woman's Medical College, Philadelphia, received her diploma in March, and is awaiting orders from the Board of Foreign Missions. Dr. Effie A. Light, of Lebanon, Pa., has had a thorough four years' course of study, is in perfect health, and full of enthusiasm. As the Board cannot send her out at once she has wisely accepted an appointment in a hospital for a few months.

We are sorry to record that Mrs. G. W. Pollock, of Mynpurie, India, has been obliged to return to this country on account of the ill-health of her husband.

In the November number of the magazine, an announcement was made that our new missionary, Mrs. A. M. Carey, had sailed on September 13th to take up her work in the Laos Mission. A few days since, the sad news of her sudden death on the journey from Bangkok to Chieng-Mai, was received at 23 Centre Street. No details have as yet been sent, but the fact that an active, enthusiastic worker has been called away before reaching her destination, will arouse the sympathy of all.

Miss Eliza Westervelt, of Chieng-Mai, writes: "One of my greatest gratifications, in my visits to Maa Dok Dang and Bethlehem, was my being able to understand and to use this language far beyond all my expectation; but this does not mean that I do not still long for and need a great deal better knowledge of it. How I shall rejoice when I can speak it as I would my own native tongue."

New Auxiliaries.

West Jersey Presbytery, May's Landing.
Idaho Presbytery, Union, Oregon.

New Bands.

Penna.,	Philadelphia, Alexander Ch., Go Forward.
"	Glenshaw, Hannah Shaw.
"	Hazleton, Wild Daisy.
"	Mahanoy City, Golden Hour Circle.
Ohio,	Cumminsville, Robert Bishop Memorial.
"	Plymouth, The Haymakers.
Maryland,	Chesapeake City, What-we-Can.
New Jersey,	Eatontown, Young People's.
"	Tennent, Young Peoples.
"	Matawan, Willing Workers.
"	" David Holbrook.

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Remittances of money to Mrs. C. B. FARWELL, Treasurer.

Meetings every Friday at 10 A. M. All persons interested in mission work are cordially invited.

A LETTER dated December 31st, Hamadan, Persia, has arrived from Mrs. Alexander, telling of their delightful trip and joyous reception at home by the people, who, only four years ago were persecutors; one, especially, who threatened five years ago to shoot his brother for becoming a Christian, was most rejoiced of all to welcome these missionaries.

OUR FRIENDS will all be glad to learn that the money promised for the new Allahabad building has all been raised and forwarded.

MRS. HUNTER CORBETT sails for Cheefoo, China, on April 12th, from San Francisco. She sails on the *City of Peking*.

MISS MARY E. BRADFORD, of Lexington, Ill., who graduated on April 6th at the Woman's Medical College, in Chicago, is under appointment by the Board of Foreign Missions. Her field is not yet designated.

MISS NIELSON is recovering.

IN THE March number of *The Church* there is a statement which we think would look well in this periodical, viz.: That the receipts for The Woman's Board of the Northwest, for the year ending May 1st, 1886, exceed the receipts from the church contributions by $17,947.26. We want the Synodical and Presbyterial officers of the different States to look carefully over the following statement and see where they can improve yet more during the next year:

SYNOD.	CHURCHES.	W. B. N. W.
Colorado,	$1,520 90	$1,096 32
Dakota, N. & S.,	759 02	616 58
Illinois,	17,676 24	28,319 41
Indiana,	4,570 02	9,152 15
Iowa,	4,923 05	5,195 54
Michigan,	6,757 53	7,758 71
Minnesota,	4,518 73	4,228 68
Nebraska,	1,012 96	1,165 27
Utah,	219 90	375 75
Wisconsin,	2,381 79	2,576 48
Part of Synod of Ohio, formerly in Synod of Toledo,	1,552 19	3,349 64
	$45,892 33	$63,934 53
Excess of Woman's Board,		$17,947 26

We do not rejoice that we have *more;* only wish the churches would outdo us.

SEND for more mite boxes if you are out of them; every penny goes toward making up the dollars. One poor prisoner in Dakota made a bridle and offered it, all he could give, to the Master's work.

MISS HESSER, of Kanazawa, Japan, says: "We could have a hundred more pupils if we had room for them, and time and strength to teach them." More buildings and more helpers!

NEW AUXILIARIES.

Atlantis, Iowa.
Avoca, Iowa, Reorganized.
Cairo, Ill., Y. L. S.
LaCrosse, Wis., North Church, Reorganized.
Toledo, O., 1st Ch., Little Girls' Band.
Toledo, O., 3d Ch., King's Gardeners.
Toledo, O., 3d Ch., Willing Workers.
Fort Wayne, Ind., Westminster Seminary Mission Band.

Women's Board of For. Miss. of the Presbyterian Church.

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A half-hour meeting for prayer and the reading of missionary letters is held at the Rooms every Monday, commencing at two o'clock. All interested are invited to be present. These meetings are not held during the months of July and August.

MRS. GRINNAN, whom we have known and loved as Miss Lena Leete, writes from Kochi, her new home, where Mr. Grinnan, (who is laboring under care of the Southern Presbyterian Board,) is stationed, that a church was organized a year and a half ago, with 21 members; it has now increased to 150; and, the Sunday before she wrote, 38 had been baptized. She thinks that nowhere in Japan has the work of evangelization met with as signal success as in the neighboring country.

WE have indeed good news from a far country. Miss Isabella Leete and Miss Rose both write of the deep interest in religious

things now shown by the girls in Graham Seminary. They are holding a short noonday prayer-meeting for those desiring to become Christians. Twenty-five of the girls have expressed this desire, and seven have professed a hope in Christ. Miss Leete writes that never, but once, has she known so happy a time in Japan; and adds, most truly, that this shows plainly that the opposition to Christianity is gradually yielding, as these girls would not dare come out thus openly were their parents opposed to their doing so.

Miss Youngman, Tokyo, February 21st, writes that their Bible Institute examinations have just taken place and show great improvement in the students.

Letters have been received during the the past month from Miss Ottaway, Jan. 25th; Miss. M. E. Reade, Jan. 27th; Mrs. Reutlinger, January.

Lists of the publication of our Society will be mailed to anyone applying for them, without charge, *save for postage.* Please enclose stamp in letter of application.

Much interest is manifested in the collection of missionary hymns our Publication is proposing to compile; anyone having special favorites please send them to Mrs. Wm. B. Waller, New Rochelle, N. Y.

New Auxiliaries.

Nassau Presbytery, Melville, L. I.
Syracuse Presbytery, Canastota.
" " Manlius.
" " Whitelaw.
Woman's Missionary Society, Portland, Me.

New Bands.

Buffalo Presbytery, The Lazarus Mission Club of Bethany Church, Buffalo, N. Y.
" " The Mary and Martha Bd., Bethany Church, Buffalo.
Boston Presbytery, The Light Bearers, Fourth Pres. Ch., So. Boston.
Long Island Presbytery, The Willing Workers, Shelter Isl. and.
" " " The-Wide-Awakes, Westhampton Ch., Quogue.
North River Presbytery, Earnest Workers, Calvary Ch., Newburgh.
Transylvania Presbytery, Ky., The Coral Workers, Harrodsburgh.

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By special favor, we have had the pleasure of welcoming Mrs. Barakat in three of our churches during the past month. While on a flying trip to Northfield Seminary, to fill a special appointment, she turned aside long enough to speak in Hoosic Falls, Glens Falls, and Cohoes. At each of these places she had large audiences, large collections, and left behind her increased interest in the cause of Foreign Missions. It is safe to say that the receipts of our treasury for this year will be increased one hundred dollars by these addresses. It is a great pleasure to state that, unless prevented by ill health, she expects to come to us again in June, for at least a month's work.

In order to arrange this work with due economy of time and travel, will those Societies which desire a visit from her, please notify their District Secretaries promptly.

A letter from Miss Seeley, dated Futtehgurh, India, Feb. 15th, 1887, to the Society of the Second Presbyterian Church, Albany, conveys the sad intelligence of the death of their missionary, Miss Jane Woodside. The whole Society of Northern New York will feel this loss, for Miss Woodside's letters were so full of love for the people among whom she labored, and so earnest in their spirit of consecration to the work, that they were always read with interest and profit. Her silent influence on the churches at home was a part of her life work, the results of which, eternity alone can determine.

Of her work work in India, we all know something. Since she has been the missionary of the Second Church, Albany, she was for some years in the school at Woodstock, and was transferred in 1881 to the orphanage at Rakha, Futtehgurh. Ill health obliged her to leave India for a time, but upon her return she took Miss Seeley's place in the care of eleven schools in that city, together with extensive zenana visiting. Extracts from her letters giving some account of her work, were given in this page, in the May and September numbers of this magazine for last year. In last month's magazine reference was made to a journal letter just received from her, covering the months of July and August.

In it she says: "We expect soon to leave for the hills where there is much awaiting us that will strengthen and refresh. More than anything, I am looking forward to a drink of *cold* water from the mountain spring." How

joyous to remember in the midst of our sense of loss, that our sister will never thirst any more, but may freely drink of that "pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb." Miss Seeley's letter was not intended for publication, but Miss Bell has written one which will give all the particulars of Miss Woodside's last illness. In closing, Miss Seeley says: "The Mission have called us (my brother's family and me,) back to our old Futtehgurh home again, so dear to us all, so I shall pick up the precious work just where dear Miss Woodside laid it down. O, pray for me and this work so dear to the hearts of all God's true children. If God wills, may I reap the fruit of the precious seed sown so faithfully by our dear sister, who has only gone before."

And now Northern New York wants another representative on the field. Is there not some one ready to answer the Lord's call with a cheerful "Here am I, send me?"

Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Southwest.

No. 1107 Olive Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

Meetings are held at the Presbyterian Rooms, 1107 Olive Street, second floor, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, at two P. M. All interested in Missions are invited to be present.

Home Corresponding Secretaries: Mrs. S. W. Barber, 3033 Olive St.; Miss Agnes H. Fenby, 3116 Lucas Ave.

Foreign Corresponding Secretary: Miss S. E. Marks, 1107 Olive St.

Treasurer: Mrs. Edmund T. Allen, 2805 Russel Ave.

While the Annual Meeting in St. Louis was yet in progress, the following note was dispatched to New York:

Our Decennial Meeting is proving to be no less of a glorious feast than its predecessors, which bore the plainer name of Annuals. We have with us Mrs. Wade, of the Omaha Mission; Miss Alice Robertson, formerly under the Foreign Board in her work among the Indians in the Indian Territory; and Mr. and Mrs. Winn, of Japan. Points of special interest are our Historical Sketch of the S. W. B., by Mrs. E. E. Webster; Young Peoples' Hour, in which each Band of St. Louis presented a concise report of its work since organization, by its own little secretary and treasurer, after which an appeal for each country was presented by a child in appropriate costume.

A paper on Unemployed Talent in the Church followed by a discussion and remarks in connection with the Question Hour bearing upon the importance of subscribing for and reading our periodicals, were other important points.

The Holy Spirit is with us, and we are having a rich feast.

Our Board has assumed the support of a Bible-reader in Japan, and five scholarships in a boys' school in Syria.

During the month of February, "thank-offering and praise services" were reported from various Societies. The Executive Committee is to offer a recommendation relative to the disposal of the funds thus obtained.

The "Thank-offering" in the First Church of Newton, Kas., was participated in by many members of the congregation, and amounted to $113.66. On this occasion, the President of the Auxiliary was made a life-member of the Southwest Board by the Presbyterial President, Mrs. E. D. Hoag, who, in her turn, was made a life-member of the same Board, by the action of the local Society.

The way toward a successful annual "Praise and Thank-offering service," in the First Church, Wichita, Kas., had been ably cast up by the Woman's Missionary Society. Two hundred and thirty-three invitations were sent to the ladies of the congregation, and every lady on the church roll received, in addition, an envelope for her offering. Notices of the meeting were read at the Sunday services and published in the daily papers. A gentleman sent a check for fifty dollars, in memory of one whose last public appearance was with the Society, and the remainder of the 136.05 contributed was from the ladies, and more than doubled the offering of last year.

Miss Ellers has now received patients at the hospital in Seoul, Korea, to the number of twenty in a day. "They come," she says, "for all sorts of things. I have had a number who want freckles removed; old women want their eyes and ears made new again, and go away sorely disappointed when told it cannot be done. Many who have been relieved or cured come back again and tell how grateful they are."

Miss Davis wrote from Wewoko, Ind. Ter., where it was warm enough in January to sit without a fire. She says little produce was raised about them last year, and some would have even starved this winter without aid.

New Auxiliaries.

Columbus, Kansas.
Humboldt, Kansas, Young Ladies' Society.
Palmyra, Kansas, 1st Ch., Opportunity Band.
Tecumseh, Kansas, Bethel Ch., Young Peoples' Band.
Gallatin, Missouri.
Lockwood, Missouri, Young Ladies' Society.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, from March 1, 1887.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

ATHENS.—Gallipolis, Willing Workers, 3; Marietta, Aux., 97.33, Mrs. Newkirk, in mem., 10, 110.33

BALTIMORE.—Aherdeen, 18.33; Annapolis, 22; Ashland, 20; Bellair, 35; Baltimore, Aisquith St., 61.55; Broadway, 16; Boundary Ave., 156, S. S., 65; Brown Mem., 400, Mackenzie Bd., 20, Smith Bd., 20, Mrs. E. P. S. Jones' Bd., 135, Mrs. Gray's class, 30, Casket of Jewels, 25, Handful of Corn, 80, S. S., 109.54; Central, 731.50, S. S., 155.50, Seek and Save Bd., 50, Dugdale Bd., 30, Buds of Promise, 30, Morning Star Bd., 25; Faith Ch., 22, Boys' Bd., 25, Earnest Workers, 25, Faith Workers, 15, Daisy Chain, 27, Hope Bd., 9; 1st Ch., 225, Miss B. Morris, 10; 2d Ch., 64, Earnest Workers, 12; 12th Ch., 60.35, Mrs. Wylie's class, 55, Band, 62.56; Lafayette Sq. Ch., 56.37, Earnest Workers, 42; Light St., 33.05; Madison St., S. S., 25; Westminster, 67, S. S., (Birthday boxes, 6.15), 32.16, Silver Star Bd., 30; Bethel Ch., 26.65, Band, 13.35; Chestnut Grove, 70; Churchville, 49.50; Deer Creek Harmony, 69.50; Emmettsburg, 37.75, Children's Bd., 5, Mite Soc., birthday boxes, 8.29; Frederick, 30; Govane Chapel, 9; Hamden, 20; Hagerstown, 22; Piney Creek, 30; Williamsport, 18, 3,541.95

BLAIRSVILLE.—Beulah, 148.50, Band, 7.25; Blairsville, 14.81, Nohle Bd., 15; Braddock, 19; Conemaugh, 18.82 Cross Roads, 4.52; Derry, 41.83; Fairfield, 15; Greenshurg, Foster Bd., 40; Harrison City, 23; Irwin, 14; Johnstown, S. S., 28, Miss S. J. Duncan, 10; Latrohe, Bd. of Hope, 4.59; Ligonier, 45; Manor, 11.50; Murrysville, 54; New Alexandria, 21; New Salem, 40; New Salem, Branch of Congruity, 20.48; Parnassus, S. S., 50; Plum Creek, 21, Y. L. B., 2; Unity, 22.20; Verona, 31.66, 723.16

CARLISLE.—Bloomfield, 10, Early Blossoms, 5; Carlisle, 1st, 80, Golden Chain Bd., 26, Macedonian Bd., 4; Carlisle, 2d, 105, Pearl Seekers, 65, Anna West Bd., 15.90; Chambershurg, Central, 37.75, Y. L. B., 52.43, Chapel Bd., 5.07, Wilson College Bd., 40; Chamhershurg, Falling Spring, 23.50, Y. L. B., 152, Simpson Culhertson Bd., 14.62, Busy Bees, 30.61; Dauphin, 25, Junior Miss. Soc., 50, Children of the King, 15; Dillshurg, Monaghan Ch., 21.25, Whosoever-will Bd., 5; Dickinson, Mrs. E. W. Galhraith, 25; Duncannon, 10.87; Gettyshurg, Master's Helping Bd., 40, Miss McPherson, 45; Green Castle, 70, Y. L. B., 30, Lillies of the Valley, 30, Excelsior Boys, 25.62; Green Hill, Y. L. B., 3; Harrishurg, 1st, 102, John A. Wiers Bd., 10, Cheerful Givers, 6, Macedonian Bd., 90, S. S., Senior Dep't, 38.55, Band of Trust, 10, Mrs. R. W. McCarrell, 30; Harrisburg, Pine St, 139.94, Syrian Helpers, 50, Talitha Cumi Bd., 50, Brave and True Boys, 15, Whatsoever Bd., 30, Livingstone Boys, 15, Reapers and Anything-for-Jesus Bd., 15, Mary Camphell Bd., 15, S. H Kautz's class, 20, Miss Hayes' class, 20; Harrisburg, 7th St., 28; Harrisburg, Westminster, 51, Band, 13.81, Harriet Eddy Bd., 15, S. S., 29.15; Lower Marsh Creek, 20; Lower Path Valley, 25, Willing Workers, 10; McConnellsburg, 19, Coral Workers, 30; Mechanicshurg, 75, Happy Workers, 11.60; Mercershurg, 4.06, Y. L. B., 44.65, Thomas Creigh Bd., 30.60; Millerstown, 5; Newville, Big Sp. Ch., 75, Band of Hope, 34; Newville, Hopeful Workers, 150, Dew Drops, 8.36, Willing Workers, 10, King's Children, 18; Paxton, Cheerful Givers, 20; Petersburg, 19; Rocky Sp. and Strasburg, 8; Shermansdale, 10; Shippenshurg, 50.85, Y. L. B., 40, Hull Bd., 15.19; Upper Path Valley, 28.20; Wayneshoro', 41, Y. L. B., 30, Korean Bd., 14.29, 2,702.24

CHESTER.—Darhy, 1st, Glenolden Bd., 7.25

CHILLICOTHE.—Bloominghurg, 21.16; Chillicothe, 1st, 59.30, Y. P. B., 14; Chillicothe, 3d, 21.20; Concord, 13.85; Frankfort, 15; Greenfield, 25.08; Hamden, 10; Hillshoro', 43 50, Sycamore Valley Bd., 5; Kingston, 11.20; North Fork, 18.10; Pisgah, 14.30; Salem, 136; Washington, C. H., 45.40, 453.09

CLARION.—Beechwoods, 50; Brookville, 116.01, Cunningham Bd., 88, Happy Children, 5; Callenshurg, 11; East Brady, Miss Hillis' Cl., 1.25; Edenhurg, 14, Cl. of Boys, 1; Emlenton, 36; Greenville, 33.50, Y. L. B., 18, Band, 5.70; Mt. Tabor, 13.50; New Bethlehem, 34.66, S. S., 14.71; Oil City, 2d, Y. P. Soc., 36.87, S. S., 12.67; Perry, 11, Edith Helm's mite hox, 1; Rockland, 5; Troy, 7; Wilcox, 9.44, 525.31

CLEVELAND.—Cleveland, 1st, pr. off., 2; 2d Ch., (pr. off., 10.25), 305.73, S. S., 180; Case Ave., pr. off., 10.10; Woodland Ave., Y. L. B., 90, Children's Bd., 25, 612.83

DAYTON.—Dayton, 1st, 67, Y. L. B., 75; Dayton, Park, Y. L. B., pr. off., 14.50; New Carlisle, S. S. class, 4.35; Oxford, (pr. off., 46) 96, Howard Bd., 40; Piqua, pr. off., 21.50; Springfield, 1st, Y. L. B., 27; Springfield, 2d, S. S., Christmas off., 14.51, 359.86

ELIZABETH.—Roselle, S. S., 30.00

HUNTINGDON.—Alexandria, 5.20; Altoona, 1st, 75, Little Workers, 8.71; Altoona, 2d, 80, Allegheny Bd., 13, Y. L. B., 25; Bedford, 20; Bellefonte, 59.33, Loring Bd., 30, Beaver Bd., 23.75; Bethany, 50, Stewart Bd., 50; Beulah, 15.18; Birmingham, 38.60, Mountain Sem. Bd., 114.01, Warrior's Mark Bd., 90; Clearfield, 50; Duncansville, 31.60, Band of Hope, 20; East Kishacoquillas, 46.65; Hollidaysburg, 118.50, Hope Bd., 21, Cheerful Workers, 18.20, Willing Workers, 50, Seminary Bd., 45; Houtzdale, 8.40; Huntingdon, 63.60, Lillies of the Valley, 30, Y. L. B., 20.44, Onward Boys, 3, S. S., New Year's off., 8.29; Lewistown, 80; Logan's Valley, 8.85; Lost Creek, 17.85; Lower Spruce Creek, 36.80; Lower Tuscarora, 20; Martinsburg, 16.25; Middle Tuscarora, 3; Mifflintown, 58.88; Milroy, Y. L. Soc., 15; Mt. Union, 27.25, Daisy Bd., 25; Penfield, 3.50, Y. L. B., 5.72, Do-your-best Bd., 3.19; Peru, 1.20; Petershurg, Juniata Bd., 3; Pine Grove, 15.55; Port Royal, 32.77, Stewart Circle, 5; Shade Gap, 12.71; Sinking Valley, 42.11, Gleaners, 35.05; Spring Creek, 122.13; Spruce Creek, 600, Colerain Forge, S. S., 52; Tyronc, 30.93; Upper Tuscarora, 25.14; Williamshurg, 50; Pres. Soc., 61.81, 2,643.17

KINGSTON.—Bethel, 13; Huntsville, 5, Mt. Zion, 5, 23.00

KITTANNING.—Boiling Spring, 20; Concord, 15; Currie's Run, 62.25; Elderton, 22.55; Glade Run, 55.50; Harmony, 26; Homer City, 20; Kittanning, 225; Marion, 7.40; Mechanicshurg, 5.67; Parker City, 12.48; Slate Lick, 42, Band, 3; Saltshurg, Sunheams, 16; West Glade Run, 25; Worthington, 30, 587.95

LEHIGH.—Allentown, 59, Loring Circle, 41.45, Helpers, 51.55, Boys' Bd., 21.50; Ashland, 18.50, Spring Violets, 12; Audenreid, 20; Bangor, 12.20, Coral Builders, 15; Bethlehem, 35.05, Musgrave Bd., 40, Rev. A. D. Moore Bd., 11; Catasauqua, 1st, 71.55, Cheerful Givers, 10; Catasauqua, Bridge St. Bd., 32; Easton, 1st, 60, Y. L. Circle, 20, Loring Bd., 25, Keystone Bd., 4, Willing Workers of Olivet School, 1.65; Easton, Brainerd, (Th. off., 1.15), 91.29, Y. L. B., 40, Isahella Nassau Bd., 44, David Brainerd Bd., 34: East Stroudshurg, 2.50; Hazleton, 83.19, Y. L. B., 10, Wild Daisy Bd., 5; Hokendauqua, 17.25, Cheerful Workers, 2.50; Mauch Chunk, 35.75, Little Workers, 7, Nevius Bd., 19; Mahanoy City, 21.75; Middle Smithfield, 19.65; Mountain Ch., 11.37; Pottsville, 2d, 11, S. S., 7.50; Port Carhon, 11; Reading, 1st, 38.15, Sparkling Gems, 50; Shawnee, 13.15, Sunrise Bd., 5.40; South Easton, 6.50, Loring Bd., 11; Stroudshurg, 36.34; Summit Hill, 5, White Bd., 20; Tamaqua, 9.64; Upper Lehigh, 56; Pres. Soc, 35, 1,331.36

MAHONING.—New Lishon, pr. off., 20; Salem, same, 13.13; Youngstown, 68.50, Cheerful Workers, (pr. off., 12.06), 33.31, Gleaners, 25, Mrs. Haselton, 5, mite hoxes, 5, 169.94

MONMOUTH.—Beverly, 55.75; Burlington, V. R. Hodge Bd., 31.82, Busy Bees, 21.91; Matawan, 53.65, Glenwood Bd., 30, Willing Workers, 12; Mt. Holly, 50.55; Ocean Beach, Bd., 6.50; Riverton, Calvary Bd., 30; Tom's River, 10, 302.18

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Chatham, 50; East Orange, Wil-

ling Workers, 20, Elmwood Bd., 70; Madison, 82.27, Y. L. B., 107.45, Band, 13; Mount Olive, 9; Orange, 2d, 210; Rockaway, 34.60; St. Cloud, 30; Summit, Central, 20, Band, 12.38; Pres. Miss'y Union, 5, 663.70

NEWARK.—Montclair, Boys' Bell Bd., 20.00

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Lambertville, Ogilvie Bd., 12.00

NEW CASTLE.—Smyrna, 9.50

NORTH PACIFIC BRANCH.—Astoria, 5.80; Ellensburg, 10; Olympia, 3.83; Portland, 1st and Calvary, 85; Tacoma, 17.15, 121.78

NORTHUMBERLAND.—Bald Eagle and Nittany, 25.61; Berwick, Kumler Bd., 32.09; Bloomsburg, 89.15, Neal Bd., 35.25; Buffalo, Cross Roads, 30; Danville, Grove Ch., 20.92; Danville, Mahoning, 51.25, S. S., 43.85; Derry and Washingtonville, 50; Hartleton, 13; Jersey Shore, 50, S. S., 16.31; Lewisburg, 39.10, Snowflake Bd., 11.37; Linden, 8.83; Lock Haven, 42.85; Mifflinburg, Buffalo Ch., (in mem. Mrs. Grier, 4), 48.50, Earnest Workers, 18; Mifflinburg, 1st, 23, Reardon Bd., 3; Milton, 80, Ruby Blessing Bd., 6; Muncy, 45.05; Lycoming, 16.12; Northumberland, 25, Beatrice Bd., 10; Orangeville, 25; Shamokin, 31; Sunbury, 40.05, Dew Drops, 12.65; Elliott Aux., 75, Busy Bees, 68, Bright Evergreen Bd., 50; Washington, 66, Y. L. B., 20.57, Band, 3.25; Williamsport, 1st, 10, Curtis Hepburn Bd., 83.80; Williamsport, 2d, 191, Loring Bd., 55, Ministering Children, 15.14; Williamsport, 3d, Y. L. B., 36, 1,616.71

PHILADELPHIA.—Calvary Ch., 375, Prayer and Pence Bd., 18, Lend-a-hand Bd., 6.50; Clinton St., 14.25, S. S., 16; Tabernacle, Y. L. B., 125, Mrs. Walter H. Lowrie, 50; 10th, 41, Y. L. B., 7.80; Walnut St., 415, S. S., 100, Ready Helpers, 5, M. H. Dunton Bd., 7.50, R. P. Dana Bd., 7.31; Westminster, 120.25; West Spruce St., M. B. K., 25, A family mite box, 6; Woodlands, 275; Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Schenck, 200, 1,824.61

PHILADELPHIA, CENTRAL.—Trinity Ch., 10.00

PHILADELPHIA, NORTH.—Hermon, 10; Pottstown, Faith Bd., 16.45; Providence, 20, 46.45

PITTSBURG AND ALLEGHENY COM.—Allegheny, 1st, 100; 2d, 25.95; Central, 97.51, mite boxes, 54.13; 1st German, Y. L. B., 3; North, 129.05, Hodge Bd., 90, Anna K. Warfield Bd., 20, Little Builders, 5; McClure Ave., 102; Providence, 10; Beaver, 43.45, Sunbeam Circle, 21.21; Bellevue, 9, Fidelia Circle, 2.71; Bethel, 128.75; Bethany, 33; Birmingham, 1st, 25; Bridgeville, 25; Bridgewater, 45; Canonsburg, 22, Mayflower Bd., 8; Emsworth, 51.26, Y. L. B., 20.81; Glenfield, 12.45, S. S., 7.45, Cheerful Workers, 1.10; Glenshaw, 13.40; Hebron, 20; Hiland, 100; Homestead, 25; Industry, 7; Leetsdale, 50; Mansfield, 88.05, Silver Links, 40.70; Millvale, 72; Mingo, Gleaners for the King, 7; Monongahela City, 63.74; Mt. Washington, 21.91, S. S., 6.12; Mt. Pisgah, 44; Pittsburg, 1st, 602.83, Young Voyagers, 25, Light Bearers, 25, Louisa Lowry Bd., 45, Espy Bd., 20, Faith, 6.46, S.S., 90.71; 2d Ch., Y. L. B., (jug breaking, 71), 300; 3d Ch., 405, Mrs. Rhoades' class, 22; 4th Ch., 19.50; 7th Ch., 7; 43d St. Ch., 76.75, Ezri Bd., 48; Bellefield, 268.80, Busy Bees, 60; Central, 50, Chalfant Bd., 42; E. Liberty, 102.40, Kumler Bd., 91.21, Happer Bd., 5; Lawrenceville, Willing Workers 10, McConnell Bd., 20, Mrs. W. F. Wilson, 25; Shadyside, 335, Busy Bees, 65; Plains, 19; Raccoon, 58.63, Band, 5.25, Rochester, 5; Sewickley, 258, Band, 56.26; Tarentum, 55; Wilkinsburg, 86.30, Miss Reed's fund, 50, 5,030.85

PORTSMOUTH.—Eckmansville, 8; Georgetown, (pr. off., 1.50), 8.50; Jackson, Y. L. B., 5; Ironton, 50; Mt. Leigh, (pr. off., 5), 11; Portsmouth, 1st, 30, Little Sowers, 10, Y. L. B., 15; Portsmouth, 2d, 60; Ripley, 22, 219.50

REDSTONE.—Greensboro', 8.50

SHENANGO.—Beaver Falls, 50, S. S., 80; Clarksville, 17.25; East Moravia, S. S., 2.24; Enon Valley, 33, Golden Sheaves, 2; Hermon, 10; Leesburg, 14, Fidelia Circle, 15; Little Beaver, 15; Neshannock, 23; New Castle, 1st, 14.75, S. S., 44.34; New Castle, 2d, 8.30, S. S., 5.73, Y. L. S., 40; New Brighton, 83.81, Selma Bd., 25.13; Rich Hill, 26; Sharon, 50, S. S., 30; Sharpsville, 7.50, Little Reapers, 4.50; Slippery Rock, 15.25; Unity, 46.85, Band, 60; Westfield, 63.77; West Middlesex, 17.50, 804.92

WASHINGTON CITY.—Darnestown, 26,75, Band, 4 Falls Ch., 9; Hermon, 13; Hyattsville, 40.15, Band, 15; Manassas, 11.74; Vienna, 7.77; Washington, 1st, 72.50; 4th Ch., 33.50; 6th, 10; Assembly, 55, Band, 20; Covenant, 268.50; Eastern, 8.12; Metropolitan, 15, Mateer Bd., 10; New York Ave., 425, Bethany Bd., 50, Gurley Chapel Bd., 5.70; Unity, 19; Western Ch., Earnest Workers, 11; Westminster, 12.50; West St., 25, 1,168.23

WELLSBORO'.—Beecher's Island, 16.67; Coudersport, 15.19, S. S., 6.34; Elkland, 10; Farmington, 6.07; Mansfield, 5.57; Osceola, 10; Tioga, 4.80, 74.64

WESTMINSTER.—Chestnut Level, Christmas off., 6.66

WOOSTER.—Bethel, 2; Mansfield, 61.02; Wooster, Westminster, 15, Boys' Bd., 30, 108.02

ZANESVILLE.—Granville, Female col., 30; Newark, 1st Band of Hope, 2.50, 32.50

MISCELLANEOUS.—Baltimore, Md. Cash, 1; Brickersville, Pa., Mrs. C. H. Asay, 5; Cattaraugus Reservation, Seneca Boys' Bd., 2; Kingston, Pa., Mrs. E. L. Welles, 25; Laure, Hill, Tenn., Mrs. Ida J. Smith, 65 cts.; Norfolk, Va., A friend, 7; North Wales, Pa., Mr. W. F. Ray, 10, Phila., A Christian Sister, 1; Mrs. Moses Brown, 10; Pittston, Pa., Mrs. E. D. Strong, 25; Syracuse, N.Y., Park Ch., 100, 186.65

Total for March, 1887,	$26,087.86
Total from May 1, 1886,	$77,431.03

The Sarah Adams Band, Cleveland, O., has sent a box to Wewoka school, valued at $28.

Mrs. JULIA M. FISHBURN, *Treas.*,
April 1, 1887. 1334 Chestnut St., Phila.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest, to March 20th, 1887.

ABERDEEN.—Aberdeen, 22.20; Groton, 8, 30.20

ALTON.—Alton, 5.40; Butler, 5.78; Carlinville, 15; Carrollton, 25; Jerseyville, 11.75, Wilson Band and Apple Blossoms, 25; Lebanon, 10; Litchfield, 9; Nokomis, Busy Bees, 22; Plainview, 5; Bethel Ch., 17.50; Rockwood, 10; Sparta, 27.04; Trenton, 25, Band, 2; Waveland, 4.50, 219.97

BELLEFONTAINE.—Belle Centre, 23.01, Y. L., 22.20; Bellefontaine, 20, Band, 20.22; Buck Creek, 20; Bucyrus, 68.55; Crestline, 24; De Graff, 9.10; Galion, 19.25; Huntsville, 5.80; Kenton, 41.74; Sandusky Ch., 28; Upper Sandusky, 13.40; Pioneers, 48.30; Urbana, 52.60; W. Liberty, 25.55, Y. L. S., 23, Inf. S. S. cl., 3.65, 470.37

BLOOMINGTON.—Bement, 46.60, Y. P. M. C., 2.81, Sunbeams, 36.55; Bloomington, 1st, 71.37, King's Builders, 9.59; 2d, 515.42, Y. P. S, 50, Helpful Hands, 10; Buckley, 12; Champaign, 74.23, Avery Band, 10.50; Chatsworth, 5; Chenoa, 36.25, Y. L. M. S., 14.60; Clinton, 75; Cooksville, 10.50; Danville, 95, Willing Workers, 5; Farmer City, 5.47; Gibson City, 19.08; Gilman, 27; Hoopeston, 6; Lexington, 30.75, S. S., 8.80; Mackinaw, 2; Minonk, 10.13, S. S., 20; Monticello, 13.50, S. S., 4.70; Normal, 15.25, Builders, 4.93; Onarga, 97.55; Piper City, Neely Band, 32.74, Mrs. Mary D. Neely, in mem. Mrs. Hattie D. Foy, 110; Pontiac, 55; Rossville, 3.25; Tolono, 17.05; Towanda, 9.80; Urbana, S. S. classes, 4.10, 1,577.52

CAIRO.—Anna, 32.20; Cairo, 10.60, Y. L. S., 40, Carmi, 27, Th. off., 15.40, Band, 2.70; Carbondale, 25; Bridgeport, 5; Du Quoin, 31.60; Enfield, 11.55; Grand Tower, 12.25; Harrisburg, 10; Nashville, Edna Cole Bd., 20; Old Du Quoin, 7.30; Shawneetown, 10.10; Salem, 6; Tamaroa, 10, Th. off., 9.25; Wabash, 5, 290.95

CENTRAL DAKOTA.—Altoona, 10; Brookings, 10.12; Diana,

2.13; Huron, 34.56, Cheerful Doers, 4; Miller, 6.25; Pierre, 5.34; Rose Hill, 20; Volga, 2; Woonsocket, 10, 104.40

CHICAGO.—Arlington Heights, 12; Austin, Y. L. S., 28.31; Bloom, Pr. Off., 61.43, May Blossoms, 3.50; Chicago, 1st, 257.50, Pr. off., 220.22; 2d, 134.61, Y. L. S., 44, Burr Mission, 10; 3d, 150; 4th, 196.57, Y. L. S., 6.25, Pr. off., 35.50, Mother's Mite Society, 4.60; 6th, 50, Band, 45.27, Y. L. S., 43.50, W. B. Jacobs, 12; 8th, 23.75, Pr. off., 54; Campbell Park Ch., 16.75; Church of the Covenant, 20, Pr. off., 30.23; Fullerton Ave. Ch., 160; Jefferson Park Ch., 150; Westminster Ch., Y. P. S., 28; Englewood, Pr. off., 70; Highland Park, 125; Homewood, 12.05; Hyde Park, 150, Girls' Bd., 29.88, Pr. off., 4.50, Y. L. S., 15; Joliet, 1st, 22; Kankakee, 42.48; Lake, 8.20; Lake Forest, 36.50, Lillie Dickinson, mem. gift, 25, Y. L. S., 15.62, Steady Streams, 101.51; Maywood, 2.20; Oak Park, 7.20; Peotone, 77.31; Riverside, S. S., 11.41; Waukegan, 45, Th. off., 48.80; Y. L. B., 21.20; Wheeling, 26; Wilmington, 16.50, 2,711.35

CHIPPEWA.—Baldwin, 10.41, Pine Lake Branch, 12.22, Children's Bd., 2.65, Lucia Hoffman, 65 cts., Jennie Hoffman, 70 cts., Eau Clair, 35.50; Hudson, 35, 97.13

DETROIT.—Ann Arbor, Helpers Bd., 17; Brighton, 11; Detroit, 1st, 273.50; Central Ch., S. S., 25; Fort Street Ch., 251.04, Rhea Bd., 98.57; Hamtramck Ch., 30; Jefferson Ave. Ch., 200; Memorial Ch., 26.58, Cheerful Laborers, 40; Trumbull Ave. Ch., 15; Westminster Ch., L. Union, 69.85, Y. L. S., 40; Birmingham, 30, Ready Helpers, 50; Dearborn, Miss A. R. Noble, 2; Holly, 25; Howell, 98, Y. L. S., 29.25; Milford, 126.40, Sunbeams, 25, Jennie Dean Girls, 13.40; Milan, Mite Gleaners, 1.10; Mt. Clemens, 27; Northville, 28; Pontiac, Y. L. S., 7.50, Cheerful Workers, 40; Saline, Willing Workers, 10; South Lyon, 12; Stony Creek, Y. P. S., 16, W. M. S. and S. S., 11.52; Ypsilanti, 138, Gleaners, 30, India Workers, 20, 1,837.71

DUBUQUE.—Dubuque, 25; Hopkinton, 7.91; Independence, 29.80, S. S., 2.94; German Church, 5; Jesup, 2.50; Lansing, 10; Mt. Hope, 1; Pine Creek, 4; W. Union, 16.23; Waukon, 12.60, 116.98

FARGO.—Jamestown, 16, Busy Bees, 17; Lisbon, 6.50; Tower City, 29, 68.50

FORT DODGE.—Ashton, 2.50, Band, 2.50; Carroll, 17.87; Cherokee, 39, Mrs. J. MacAllister, 12; Dana, 70 cts.; Denison, 6; Fort Dodge, 63; Grand Junction, 12.18; Ida Grove, 12.55; Jefferson, 26.78, S. S., 19; Lohrville, 6.25; Meriden, 15; Paulina, 2; Pomeroy, 18.02; Rockwell, 6.50; Sanborn, 6, S. S., 1, Merry Workers, 1.39; Sioux City, 30; Vail, 70 cts., 300.94

FORT WAYNE.—Auburn, 6; Elkhart, 10.05; Fort Wayne, 1st, 110.16; 2d, 19.87, S. S., 29, West Wayne Band, 43, Berean Band, 22; Goshen, 34.61, S. S. B., 25; Huntington, 10.71, Y. F. B., 2.22; Kendallville, 7.15; LaGrange, 18; Lima, 33, S. S., 3; Ossian, 15; Warsaw, 35, Band, 25, 448.77

FREEPORT.—Harvard, 12.39; Fr'm, 1.22, H. M., 12.39, 26.00

GRAND RAPIDS.—Cadillac, 24; Evart, 15, Boys' and Girls' Band, 3; Grand Haven, 80.15; Grand Rapids, 39.53; Westminster Ch., 64.55; Ionia, 5.50; Mackinaw City, 1.64; Montague, 15; Muir, 5; Petoskey, 10, 263.37

HASTINGS.—Ayr, 4.25

HURON.—Clyde, 1.60; Fostoria, Doolittle Band, 25; Sandusky, 16; Tiffin, 30, 72.60

INDIANAPOLIS.—Acton, 5; Bethany Ch., 10; Bloomington, 50; Columbus, 30; Edinburgh, 12.30; Franklin, 75, Do-what-we-can Band, 62.70; Greencastle, 35; Greenwood, 20, S. S., 9; Hopewell, 88.41, S. S., 3.71; Indianapolis, 1st, 105, th. off., 47.53, S. S., 87.01; 2d, 205, Y. L. S., 65; Tabernacle Ch., 258.66, Coral Builders, 41.65, Mary Fulton Soc., 25; 4th, 48.77, S. S., 39.54; 5th, 7; 6th, 11; 7th, 50.15, Y. L. S., 30; Memorial Ch., 40; 12th, 8.25; Southport, 25, Busy Bees, 12.17, 1,522.70

IOWA.—Burlington, 16.15; Fairfield, Gleaners, 5; Fort Madison, 28.63; Keokuk, pr. off., 41.25; Middletown, 11; Mt. Pleasant, 25; Troy, pr. off., 20, 147.03

KEARNEY.—St. Paul, 7.50, Band, 19.50, 27.00

LACROSSE.—LaCrosse, 35.97

LAKE SUPERIOR.—Ford River, 7, Y. P. S., 2; Florence, 14; Ishpeming, 13.50; Marinette, Willing Workers, 21.30, Boys and Cheerful Givers, 20.20; Menominee, 14.26, Y. L. S., 32.74, Girls' Band, 40, S. S., H. M., 27; Negaunee, H. M., 5, Forget-me-not Band, 6.50; Oconto, 10, H. M., 17, Band, 1.60, H. M., 1.60, 233.70

LIMA.—Ada, 60; Columbus Grove, 4, a few little girls, 1.25; Delphos, 20.27; Hardin, 10; M'Comb, 20.50, Mead Band, 10; Mt. Jefferson, 7; St. Mary's, 17.55; Van Wert, 32.30, 182.87

MADISON.—Beloit, 6.20, S. S., 20; Lima, 17; Poynette, 19.75; Prairie du Sac, Cheerful Workers, 25; Richland Centre, 4, 91.95

MANKATO.—Amboy, 10; Blue Earth City, 30; Jackson, 21.50, Birthday Band, 7.19; Kasota, 6; Le Sueur, 22.66, Y. P. B., 40; Madelia, 7; Mankato, 80; Pilot Grove, 22; Red Wood Falls, Y. L. S., 4.25; St. Peter, 8.45, Y. L. S., 14.15; Tracy, 11.25, Pearl Gatherers, 6.15; Wells, 7; Winnebago City, 32, Y. L. S., 3.39; Worthington, 32.61, 365.60

MATTOON.—Ashmore, 16, S. S., 6; Charleston, 6.32, th. off., 14.51, Apple Blossom Band, 3; Kansas, 22, th. off., 11.53; Mattoon, 25; Morrisonville, 6.82, Y. L. B., 26, a friend, th. off., 1; Neoga, th. off., 13; Pana, 50; Prairie Home, 25, th. off., 10; Paris, 10; Tower Hill, 5; Tuscola, 24.47; Vandalia, 12.50, th. off., 30, 318.15

The balance of the receipts for the month will be published in the June number.

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CHICAGO, March 20, 1887.

Receipts of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, from March 1st to April 1st, 1887.

BINGHAMTON.—Bainbridge, 27, Willing Workers, 5; Binghamton, 1st, 172.12, S. S., 29.72; North Ch., 25; West Ch., 25; Cortland, 36.37; Coventry, 23; McGrawville, 25; Nineveh, 30; Owego, 100; Smithville Flats, 25; Windsor, 34.88, 558.09

BOSTON, MASS.—Boston, Columbus Ave., 39.72, Y. L. Bd., 20, Greene Miss. Bd., 20; Providence, R. I., 5; South Boston, 28; South Framingham, 17.40, 130.12

BROOKLYN.—Brooklyn, Ainslee St., 8.75; Classon Ave., 97.42; 1st, 240.67, Henry St. Soc., 61.05, a friend, 204.58; Franklin Ave., 38,60; Greene Ave., 44.46; Lafayette Ave., 376.55, Mrs. D. W. McWilliams, 75; Memorial, 117.25; Ross St., 18.67; 2d, Managers, 116.12, Y. L. Soc., 11.67, S. S. Miss. Soc,, 25; Siloam, 1.46; South 3d St., 82.46; Throop Ave., 169.22; Trinity, 56.82; Westminster, 16.33, a lady, 10; Stapleton, S. I., 1st, 42.50, 1,814.58

BUFFALO.—Buffalo, Bethany, 9.35; Calvary, 136.06, Miss. Bd., 11.04; Central, 100; 1st, 368; Lafayette St., 39.62, Heacock Bd., 25; North, 103.04; Westminster, 55; West Side, 11.23; East Aurora, 7, Fredonia, 85; Jamestown, S.S., 7.50; Sherman, 20, Y. P. Soc., 15, Busy Bees, 15; Springville, 12, 1,019.84

CAYUGA.—Auburn, Calvary, Y. L. Bd., 15; Central, 100, Girls' Miss. Soc., 10; 1st, Y. P. Soc., 60; 2d, Girls' Miss. Soc., 50, thank off., 8; Westminster, 10; Aurora, 12, Wells' College Miss. Soc., 50; Cayuga, Cheerful Givers, 5.30; Five Corners, 7; Fair Haven, 7; Ithaca, 131.03, King's Messengers, 59.23; King's Ferry, 21, Cheerful Workers, 15.09; Meridian, 31.20, Girls' Miss. Bd., 30; Owasco, 25; Scipioville, 10.50; Sennett, Girls' Miss. Bd., 8; Union Springs, 25; Weedsport, 29.34, Girls' Memorial Bd., 25, 744.69

CHEMUNG.—Big Flats, 40; Burdett, 39.25: Elmira, 1st, 84;57, Lake St., 62.10; Havana, 13: Hector, 10; Horseheads, 13.50, Pleiades Bd., 10, S. S., 16, a lady, 15; Mecklenburgh, 11; Monterey, 5; Moreland, 4.87; Newfield, 10; Spencer, 10; Sugar Hill. 2.50; Watkins, 22, Earnest Workers, 10, 378.79

EBENEZER, KY.—Covington, 1st, Sabbath Day Soc. 53; Dayton, 5; Flemingsburg, 27.88, Mary Lyle Bd., 10; Lexington, 2d, 20; Mt. Sterling, Y. P. Assoc., 5; Paris, 35; Sharpsburg, 5, 160.88

GENESEE.—Attica, 33; Batavia, 164.80, S. S., 50; Bergen, 22.42, Y. L. Miss. Cir., 6, Busy Bees, 15; Byron, 20; Castile, 29.37, Blossom Band, 1.50, Mrs. J. C. Long, 5.85; Corfu, 17, Y. L. Miss. Cir., 5.30; Elba, 13.55; Le Roy, 57, Miss. Bd., 25; North Bergen, 22.21, Sunbeam Bd., 9.13; Perry, 30.42; Pike, 8; Stone Church, 30.50· Tonawanda Valley, 7.04; Warsaw, 148, Y. L. B., 27, Mispah Bd., 30; Wyoming, 36.24, 814.33

GENESEE VALLEY.—Franklinville, 8; Olean, 9.63; Portville, 85, Y. L. Soc., 13, 115.63

GENEVA.—Bellona, Lend-a-Hand Miss. Cir., 40; Canandaigua, 30; Clifton Springs. Dr. M. B. Gault, 50; Geneva, 1st, and North (Union), 16.01, Mrs. S. D. Willard, 25; North, Y. L. Soc., 18; MacDougall's, 11; Naples, S. S., 25; Oak's Corners, 15, Happy Helpers, 7; Phelps, 76; Romulus, 57.43; Seneca, 60, Cheerful Workers, 40; Seneca Castle, 25; Seneca Falls, 50; Trumansburgh, 29; Waterloo, 3.15, Warner Soc., 10, Buds of Promise, 10, 597.59

HUDSON.—Bethel, 10; Chester, 33, Miss. Bd., 40.96; Cochecton, 5, Willing Workers Bd., 15; Florida, 1st, Miss. Bd., 27; Goshen, 50, Ready Workers, 18, Boys' Bd., 40; Haverstraw Central, 75; Hopewell, 27.58; Middletown, 1st, 60; 2d, 6; Monroe, 5; Monticello, 12; Mt. Hope, 14; Nyack, 41.05, Newton Bd., 25; Port Jervis, 29; Ramapo, 36.10; Ridgebury, 13; Scotchtown, 25; South Centreville, 7; West Town, 37, 651.69

LONG ISLAND.—Amagansett, Miss. Bd., 12.38; Bridgehampton, 11.48; Franklinville, 10; Greenport, 24.38; Mattituck, 16.86; Middletown, 7.29; Moriches, 9, Little Helpers, 2.50; Quogue, 12.78; Riverhead, Mrs. S. D. Whaley, 5; Setauket, 11; Southampton, 10; Southold, 26; Water Mill, 38.50. 197.17

LOUISVILLE, KY.—Cloverport, 3.65; Hodgensville, 7; Hopkinsville, 14; Louisville, Central, 90; College St., 50; 4th, (Hancock St.,) 14.40; Jefferson St., Miss. Bd., 3.13; Olivet, 16; Walnut St., 29.25, Miss. Bd., 5.76; Warren Memorial, 100· Owensboro, 18; Pewee Valley, 27.50, S. S., 3; Plum Creek, 7; Shelbyville, 24.15, Y. P. Soc., 10, 422.84

LYONS.—Clyde, 15, Mrs. P. M. Dezeng, 25; East Palmyra, Gleaners Bd., 30; Fairville, 5; Junius, 5; Lyons, 2.50, Y. L. Soc., 10, Miss. Bd., 3.72; Newark, 5, Girls' Guild, 34,18, Cameron Bd., 25; Ontario, 6.51; Palmyra, 10, Little Gleaners, 10· Rose, Y. L., 5, Morning Star Miss. Bd., 5; Sodus. 10; Wolcott. 13, 219.91

MORRIS AND ORANGE, N. J.—Morristown, South St., 150, Y. L. Soc., 100; Parsippany, 45, 295.00

NASSAU.—Babylon, 25; Hempstead, 45.41; Huntington, 1st, Y. L. Golden Chain Bd., 30, Childrens' Golden Chain Bd., 35; 2d, 10; Islip, 25; Jamaica, 119,33, Cheerful Givers, 16, Willing Workers, 5; Newtown, 15; Northport, 10; Oyster Bay, 10; Smithtown, 20, Y. Miss. Workers, 10; Smithville, (South,) 6.30; Springfield, 7, 389.04

NEW YORK.—Brick Ch., 125, expressage on box, 5, Mrs. J. E. Parsons, in memoriam Mrs. O.P. Hubbard, 100; Church of the Covenant, 400, Mrs. Wm. E. Dodge, 500, Mrs. J. B. Scribner, 50, Mrs. J. R. Skidmore, 200, Covenant Chapel, 42; Church of the Puritans, Y. P. Soc., 250; Eighty-Sixth St., 35: Emmanuel Chapel, Y. P. Soc., 53.04; Fifth Ave., 1160, Mrs. M. K. Jesup, 500, Mrs. E. F. Shepard, 1000, Kings' Children, 50: Fourth. Silver Link Soc., 73; Fourth Ave., 119.71; Harlem, 100; Madison Square, 341, special donation, 200, Mrs. C. Beebe, in memoriam, 25, Mrs. C. H. Parkhurst, 10; Scotch, 520. Y. L. Soc., 50, Miss Mcllvain, 3; Thirteenth St., S. S., 12.50; University Place, 950, Light Bearers' Bd., 15.56: Washington Heights, 30; West, 600; Westminster, Miss. Bd., 164 Mrs. W. S. Opdyke, 25, 7,778.81

NIAGARA.—Albion, 80.50, Miss. Cir., 5; Holly, 14.40; Lockport, Calvary, 8.51; Y. L. Soc., 3· 1st, 37.63; 2d Ward, 6; Mrs. J. A. Mansfield, thank off., 5; Medina, 40; Somerset, 4.75; Wright's Corners, 6.15, 210.94

NORTH RIVER.—Amenia, 21, Cornwall-on-Hudson, 30, Y. P. Miss. Bd., 20: Highland Falls, 7.35, Bainbridge Bd., 5; Kingston, 16.27; Little Britain, 6.80; Marlborough, 4; Newburgh, Calvary, 14, Miss. Bd., 2, S. S., 10; 1st, 39; Union, 80, Miss. Bd., 20; Pine Plains, 17; Pleasant Plains, 14; Pleasant Valley, 22; Rondout, 54.54 · Salisbury Mills, 12; Smithfield, 45, 439.96

OTSEGO.—Buel, 7.75; Cherry Valley, 25.50; Cooperstown, 50; Delhi, 1st, 72.67; 2d, 12.65, Miss. Cir., 5; Downsville, 7.50; Gilbertsville, 20, Memorial Miss. Cir., 40; Hobart, 18.35; Middlefield Centre, 10.25, Miss. Bd., 5; Milford, 2.50; New Berlin, 9; Oneonta, 17.50; Richfield Springs, 25; Springfield, 12; Stamford, 22, 362.67

ROCHESTER.—Brighton, 25; Brockport, 73.59; Caledonia, 137; East Avon, 10, Juvenile Soc., 5; Fowlerville, 7; Gates, 5.07; Geneseo, 20, Y. L. Soc., 75; Groveland, 5; Honeoye Falls, 12; Lavonia, 23.45; Lima, 25; Mendon, 5; Moscow, 12; Mount Morris, 15, Y. L. Soc., 15, Miss. Bd., 5.25, Cypress Miss. Bd., 4.75, S. S., Infant Class, 5; North Sparta, 15; Nunda, 11.63; Ogden, 74; Rochester, Brick, 2.90, in memoriam Mrs. Shaw, 106.75; Calvary, Y. L. Soc., 60; Central, 158.52, Jenny Lush Soc., 50, Do-what-you-can Bd., 16.17; 1st, 25: Memorial, 43.50; North, 20; Westminster, 45.29, Miss. Bd., 43; Scottsville, 10.35; Sweden, 15.58; Victor, 35, Lend-a-Hand Bd., 10; Webster, 4.50, 1,519.40

ST. LAWRENCE.—Adams, 15.62; Canton, 25; Cape Vincent, 30; Carthage, 10.33; Dexter, 8.75; Gouverneur, 30.50, Cheerful givers, 11; Hammond, 33; Morristown, 18.50; Oswegatchie, 1st, 205; 2d, 12.27; Oxbow, 30, Do-what-you-can Bd., 23; Potsdam, 45; Sackett's Harbor, 20; Theresa, 5; Waddington, 50; Watertown, 1st, 150; Stone St., 9.85, Y. L. Soc., 10, S. S., 22.65, 765.47

STEUBEN.—Addison, 25, Miss. Bd., 16; Arkport, 13, Miss Bd., 4; Bath, Miss. Bd., 30; Campbell, 25; Canisteo, 10; Cohocton, 14.76; Corning, 20, Miss. Bd., 30; Hammondsport, 40, Miss. Bd., 7.50; Hornellsville, 100: Howard, 9, Miss. Bd., 11; Jasper, 16; Painted Post, 20; Prattsburgh, 12.50, Miss. Bd., 15; Pulteney, 8, Y. P. Soc., 12, Miss. Bd., 7, 445.76

SYRACUSE.—Amboy, Miss. Bd., 20; Baldwinsville, 36.44; East Syracuse, 19.50; Elbridge, 5; Fayetteville, 24.89, Miss. Bd., 35; Fulton, 50; Hannibal, 10; Liverpool, 22; Marcellus, 10.58; Mexico, 13.50; Oswego, Grace, 60; Skaneateles, 67; Syracuse, 1st, 42; 1st Ward, 34; 4th, 81.47; Park. 50, 581.38

TRANSYLVANIA, KY.—Columbia, a few ladies, 11; Danville, 2d, 100; a friend, 200; Harrodsburg, 8.10; Lebanon, 15, 334.10

UTICA.—Camden, 10; Clinton, 20, Y. L. Soc., 25, Girls' and Boys' Miss. Bd., 30; Ilion, 20.25; Knoxboro, 38.39; Sauquoit, 14.29; Utica, Bethany, 25, Mrs. F. G. Wood, 85; 1st, 175, Y. L. Soc., 45; Memorial, S. S., 50; Westminster, S. S., 125; Westernville, 10.36, S. S., 6.64, 679.93

WESTCHESTER.—Bridgeport, 100: Dobbs Ferry, 60.50; Mahopac Falls, Minnie Hollister Bd., 15; New Rochelle, 27.25; Patterson, 25; Peekskill, 1st and 2d, 51.07; Helping Hand Bd., 30; Port Chester, 17.50; Rye, 2.48; South East, 5; Stamford, Conn., 212.58, Children's Miss. Bd., 30; Thompsonville, Conn., 35, S. S., 40; West Farms, 5; Yonkers, 1st, 205; Westminster, 30; Yorktown, Y. L. Soc., 15, 1151.90

MISCELLANEOUS.—Anchorage, Ky., Mrs. L. S. Stone, 4.40; Florence, Italy, Miss. Roberts, 25; Leaflets, 25.27; Mite Boxes, 14; Oxford, Ohio, Dr. Alex. Guy, 50; Utah, Mormon Child, 2, 106.81

Received too late to report in detail, 526.60

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